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(b) Failure to participate in a testing event is unsatisfactory performance and results in a score of 0 for the testing event.

Consideration may be given to those laboratories failing to participate in a testing event only if--

- (1) Patient testing was suspended during the time frame allotted for testing and reporting proficiency testing results;**
- (2) The laboratory notifies the inspecting agency and the proficiency testing program within the time frame for submitting proficiency testing results of the suspension of patient testing and the circumstances associated with failure to perform tests on proficiency testing samples; and**

(3) The laboratory participated in the previous two proficiency testing events.