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§482.27(a)(4) - The medical staff and a pathologist must determine which tissue specimens require a macroscopic (gross) examination and which require both macroscopic and microscopic examinations.

Interpretive Guidelines §482.27(a)(4)

Laboratory written policies, approved by the medical staff and a pathologist, must state which tissue specimens require a macroscopic examination and which tissue specimens require both macroscopic and microscopic examination.

Survey Procedures §482.27(a)(4)

- Verify that the hospital has a written policy for examination requirements.
- Review the written policies and tissue reports to assure that tissue specimens are examined in accordance with the written policies.
- Verify that the policies are in accordance with these requirements and other Federal and State laws, regulations, and guidelines.