

National Patient Safety Goals (NPSG) Chapter Outline Laboratory

- I. Goal 1 – Improve the accuracy of patient identification.
 - A. Use of Two Patient Identifiers (NPSG.01.01.01)
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories

- II. Goal 2 – Improve the effectiveness of communication among caregivers.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Timely Reporting of Critical Tests and Critical Results (NPSG.02.03.01)
 - D. Not applicable to laboratories
 - E. Not applicable to laboratories

- III. Goal 3 – Improve the safety of using medications.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories
 - D. Not applicable to laboratories
 - E. Not applicable to laboratories

- IV. Goal 4 – Not applicable to laboratories

- V. Goal 5 – Not applicable to laboratories

- VI. Goal 6 – Not applicable to laboratories

- VII. Goal 7 – Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.
 - A. Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines (NPSG.07.01.01)
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories
 - D. Not applicable to laboratories
 - E. Not applicable to laboratories

- VIII. Goal 8 – Accurately and completely reconcile medications across the continuum of care.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories
 - D. Not applicable to laboratories

- IX. Goal 9 – Reduce the risk of patient harm resulting from falls.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories

- X. Goal 10 -- Reduce the risk of influenza and pneumococcal disease in institutionalized older adults.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories

- XI. Goal 11 – Reduce the risk of surgical fires.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories

- XII. Goal 12 Not applicable to laboratories
- XIII. Goal 13 – Encourage patients’ active involvement in their own care as a patient safety strategy.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
- XIV. Goal 14 – Prevent health care associated pressure ulcers (decubitus ulcers).
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
- XV. Goal 15 – The organization identifies safety risks inherent in its patient population.
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories
- XVI. Goal 16 – Improve recognition and response to changes in a patient’s condition.
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories

Universal Protocol

- I. Universal Protocol
 - A. Not applicable to laboratories (UP.01.01.01)
 - B. Not applicable to laboratories (UP.01.02.01)
 - C. Not applicable to laboratories (UP.01.03.01)