CMPD Crime Laboratory Chemistry Training Manual Introduction

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This training program is designed to provide the criminalist/scientist with the knowledge, skills and abilities needed for competency in areas of testing performed in the Chemistry Section. The training program may also be used as a guide for retraining or assessing the experience level of newly hired analysts with previous experience and competency in a particular category of testing. Completion of a training section is by administrative approval of the Chemistry supervisor and/or Laboratory Director.

Individuals previously qualified in another laboratory may omit some of the sections at the professional judgment of the Chemistry supervisor and/or Laboratory Director. Successful completion of a training section will be documented in the training Checklist. A criminalist must be authorized by the Laboratory Director or designee to perform casework utilizing skills associated with the completed section.