

# Laboratory Accreditation

Ecology's Laboratory Accreditation Unit

**Goal:** to determine the capability of a lab to produce accurate and credible data, and to help labs to achieve and maintain accreditation.

## **Perform initial and continuing accreditations**

- Reviews documents to determine if laboratory meets requirements
  - Lab's QA Manual, other supporting documents: SOPs, IDCs, MDLs, LLOQs, control charts
  - PT sample results
- Conduct On-site Audit of lab capabilities
  - Verify that all information provided in the application and QA manual is correct
  - Ensure critical laboratory elements are in place to produce accurate and defensible data
- May provide Technical assistance/training sessions to labs
- Issue Certificate and Scope of Accreditation

**Authority:** Deny, revoke or suspend accreditation for failure to comply with requirements of the accreditation program or for misrepresentation or other fraudulent practices.