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Previously, Ohio EPA required labs to be VAP "certified." However, to comply with House Bill 110, which made changes to the VAP Certified Laboratory Program, Ohio EPA eliminated the duplicative laboratory certification requirement and fees associated with becoming certified by Ohio EPA to participate in the VAP, and to allow the use of other laboratory accreditations.

Specifically, an accredited laboratory is defined in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule [3745-300-01\(A\)\(2\)](#) as a laboratory that is accredited as follows:

- For analysis of asbestos, valid accreditation by one of the following:
  - The American industrial hygiene association, asbestos analysts registry;
  - The national institute of standards technology, national voluntary laboratory accreditation program for asbestos fiber analysis;
  - An accreditation body recognized by "The NELAC Institute" (TNI).
- For analysis of any constituent other than asbestos, valid accreditation by an accreditation body recognized by "The NELAC Institute" (TNI).

For more information on The NELAC Institute accreditations, please visit their website: <https://nelac-institute.org/> and click on the "Laboratory Accreditation" tab at the top of the page.

To search for an accredited laboratory, please use TNI's Laboratory Accreditation Management System: <https://lams.nelac-institute.org/>

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**\*\*\* Please refer to the Florida Department of Health Certificate and Laboratory Scope of Accreditation.**