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Legislative licensing update:

These are the states who currently have active licensing policies for Medical clinical laboratory scientists (MLT, MT, CLT, CLS, CT, HT, HTL…. etc) Those states highlighted ***in Blue font do not recognize histotechnology*** as a clinical lab science so they do not require licensure.

***States which currently license Clinical lab practitioners are:***

***California- no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Florida***

***Hawaii - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Louisiana - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Montana - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Nevada***

***New York – HT only not HTL level histotechnicians***

***North Dakota - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Tennessee - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***West Virginia - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Puerto Rico - no HT, or HTL licensure***

***Legislation pending in other states:***

***Alaska*** - 2009 bill has no category for histology

***Georgia*** – Facility licensure only for CLS and CLT

***Massachusetts*** - 2009 bill was referred to committee no category for histology

***Minnesota*** – 2009 no movement

***Missouri*** – 2008 – no movement stuck in committee

***Rhode Island -*** 2017 program is now eliminated for personnel, licensing for facilities only.

***Vermont*** – 2009 No legislation currently pending, after public hearing concluded against licensing

***Virginia*** – 2010 Bill was worded to say that medical lab professionals must register with the state to practice. Bill dead in committee 12-3-2010 National certification recognized there is a fee but doesn’t state anything directly about HT or HTL.

Please note the states with pending or non-active legislation have not had any movement on their legislation in years, or have just terminated a program.

***References***

<http://www.ascls.org/advocacy-issues/licensure>

<https://www.ascp.org/content/board-of-certification/get-credentialed>

<http://www.pathassist.org/?page=AboutUs_StateLicense>

Please note you can get to the links for the individual states through the ASCP website.