The relevance of Quality Certification in Forensic Science

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Abstract

Quality assurance is highly necessary in forensic science to ensure that the quality of results obtained and to demonstrate they have been produced using valid, credible, and standardized protocols and to demonstrate the competency of the forensic experts.

The implementation of quality systems is a legal requirement for forensic laboratories in countries across the EU and the USA, to ensure accurate, reliable, and precise results.

In this talk, there will be discussed the application and relevance in forensics of some quality certification programs (UNI EN ISO 9001, 17020, 17024, 17025).

Biography

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