

42 C.F.R. § 493.19

Provider-performed microscopy (PPM) procedures.

- (a) *Requirement.* To be categorized as a PPM procedure, the procedure must meet the criteria specified in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) Criteria. Procedures must meet the following specifications:
- (1) The examination must be personally performed by one of the following practitioners:
- (i) A physician during the patient's visit on a specimen obtained from his or her own patient or from a patient of a group medical practice of which the physician is a member or an employee.
- (ii) A midlevel practitioner, under the supervision of a physician or in independent practice only if authorized by the State, during the patient's visit on a specimen obtained from his or her own patient or from a patient of a clinic, group medical practice, or other health care provider of which the midlevel practitioner is a member or an employee.

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