

#### **OVERVIEW**

Individuals that have been designated by their Lab Director to act as a GYN Proficiency Testing Proctor must pass a Proctor Exam prior to receipt of testing materials.

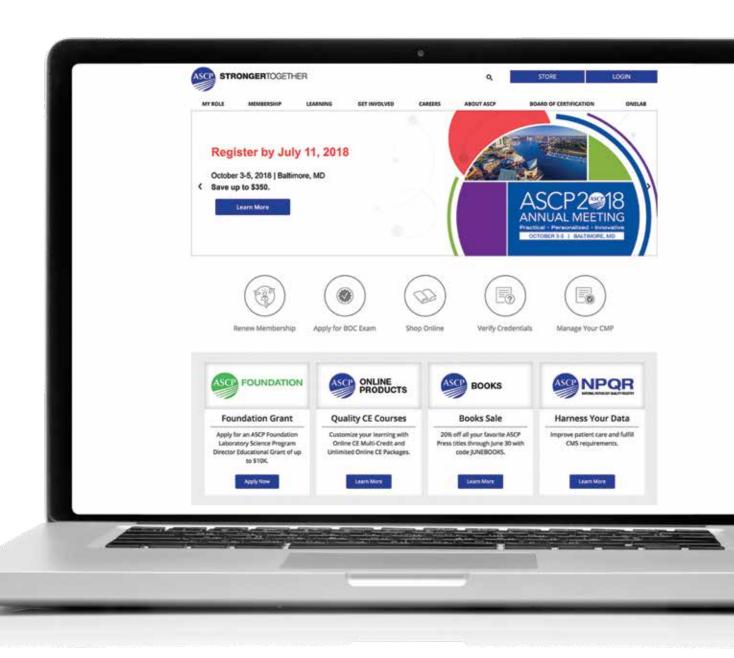
- Individuals designated to act as a Proctor will be notified via e-mail to complete the Proctor Exam
- Upon successful completion of Proctor Quiz, a link to the individual's Proctor Certificate will appear on their dashboard

The Proctor Exam is valid for one calendar year (January 1 – December 31) and must be renewed annually.

Proctors will be provided access to the ASCP GYN PT Proctor Portal to administer the GYN Proficiency Testing. The Proctor Portal has the following features:

- Link to the online Proctor Exam
- · Acknowledgement of receipt of testing materials
- Verification and inspection of testing materials
- · Setting up and managing internal testing events and participants
  - i. Scheduling and maintaining internal testing events
  - ii. Scheduling participants for testing events
    - 1. Sending invitations to Participants
    - 2. Tracking Participant inviation responses
    - 3. Sending e-mail notifications to participants
    - 4. Marking participants as excused or unexcused from testing
- Assignment of testing materials to participants
- Entry of Response Forms
- Finalizing the testing event
- Returning testing materials

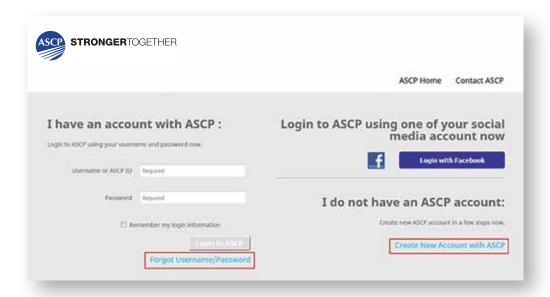
To access the Proctor Portal, navigate to the ASCP web site at www.ascp.org:



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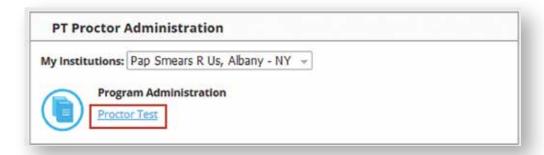
# Proctors must have an individual login for the ASCP web site.

If you are unsure if you have an account or have forgotten your login, click on Forgot Username/Password (this will send an e-mail to reset your password) or you can click on Create New Account with ASCP. When you go through the account creation process, we attempt to match you to an existing account based on the information provided. ASCP primarily matches on your e-mail address so you should use the e-mail address (personal or business) that you most likely associate with ASCP.

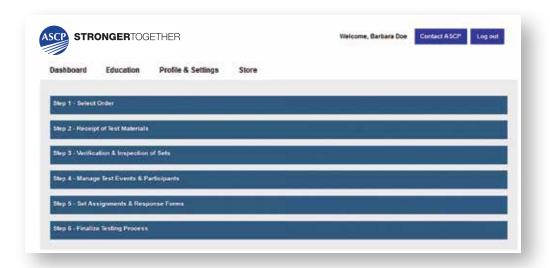


Anyone that has been designated as a Proctor will see the PT Proctor Administration card on their individual dashboard.

There is a link to the Proctor Test if you have not done so already. A link to your Proctor Certificate will be present once the Proctor Test has been successfully completed.

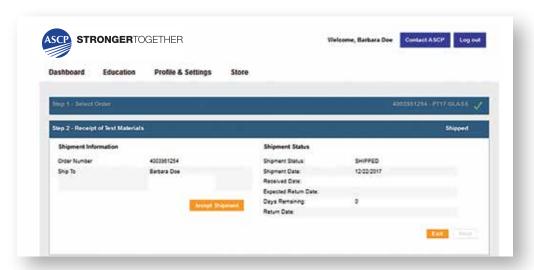


- Upon shipment of the testing materials, a link will appear on the Proctor card called Receipt & Shipment Management. When you have the testing materials in-hand, you should click on this link.
- Proctor Portal
  Clicking on the Receipt & Shipment Management link will take you to the Proctor Portal which is an online, stepwise guide through the GYN Proficiency Testing process.

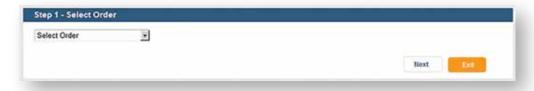


# Step 1 - Select Order

If you have only one GYN PT order, you will be automatically directed to **Step 2 - Receipt of Test Materials.** 

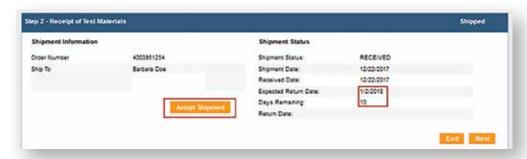


If your Institution has requested multiple prep types for your exam, each prep will be assigned its own order number. Therefore, you'll need to find the Order Number associated with the shipment you received in the dropdown list and click Next to proceed to Step 2 - Receipt of Test Materials.



## Step 2 – Receipt of Test Materials

Acknowledge receipt of the shipment by clicking on the **Accept** Shipment button. This will calculate the Expected Return Date\* for the testing materials to be returned to ASCP using the original packing and pre-paid FedEx airbil and enable the **Next** button. Click **Next** to proceed to **Step 3 - Verification & Inspection of Sets.** 



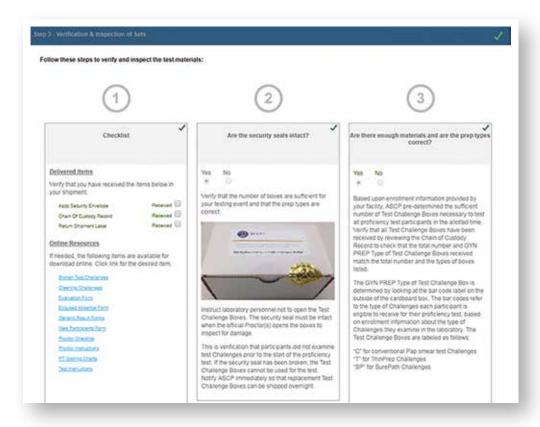
Expected Return Date\* = 1 day after scheduled test date

### Step 3 – Verification & Inspection of Sets

Proctors must ensure that they have received all the materials necessary to properly administer the GYN PT Testing. If there is anything that may impede the testing process, the Proctor can notify ASCP support staff in this step.

Verification & Inspection consists of four steps:

- 1. Checklist verify that all the items in the checklist were received with the shipment. The first three items listed are specific for your Site and testing event. The remaining items listed are generic online links to other documentation included in your shipment but are also available for you to download if needed.
- 2. Security Seals If all the security seals on the boxes are intact, click **Yes**. Click **No** if any of the seals were broken prior to receipt.
- 3. Number of Sets and Prep Types verify that there are enough sets of each prep type to complete testing. If there are enough sets to conduct the testing, click **Yes**. Otherwise, click **No**.

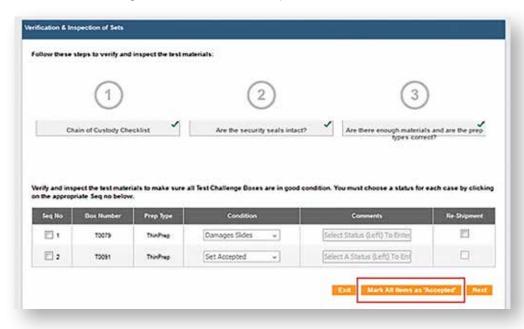


If everything is okay, click the **Step Completed** button. Otherwise, selectively click just the items received and click the **Step Completed** button.

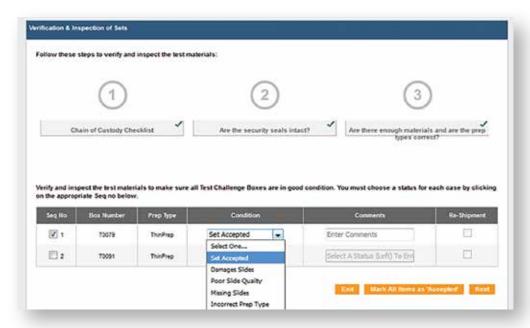
Note: If any issues were noted during this three step verification process, an e-mail form to ASCP staff will popup with the item(s) in question highlighted. Additional comments can be entered to further elaborate on the problem(s).



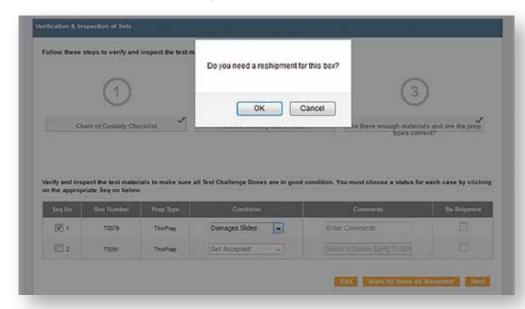
4. Set Verification – The fourth step in the verification process is to break the seal on the box and inspect each slide to ensure all the slides are in good order. If all the slides in the sets received are acceptable, click the Mark All Items as "Accepted" button and click Next to go to Step 4 - Manage Test Events & Participants.



If there are issues with any of the slide(s) in the box, click the **Seq No** checkbox next to the box number and select a choice in the **Condition** column that best describes the problem.



If the Condition selected is anything other than **Accepted**, you will receive a popup message asking if you need a reshipment. If so, click **OK** (this will send an e-mail notification to ASCP staff). Additional comments are optional.



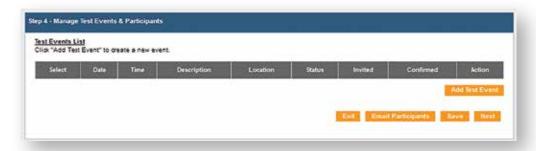
# **Step 4 – Manage Test Events & Participants**

In this step you can schedule as many GYN PT internal testing events as necessary to accommodate your participants. The system will automatically send invitation e-mails to all participants assigned to each testing event. Participants will have the option to **Accept or Decline** the invitation. You can track participant responses in the Proctor Portal.

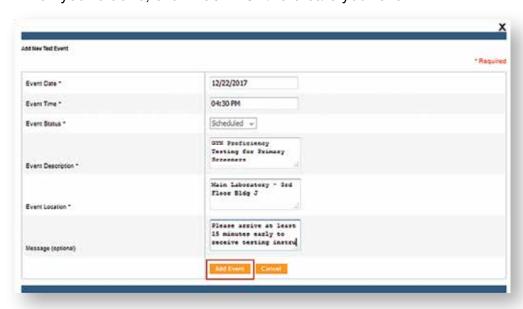
For example, you could schedule one date and time for the primary screeners and schedule an later date and/or time for the secondary screeners.

#### **Add Test Event**

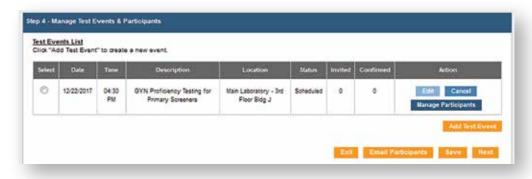
Click on the **Add Test Event** button to create your testing event(s).



Fill in the event details. Event times can be selected in 5 minute increments, however scheduling must provide all testing participants a **2-hour window to complete their 10-slide GYN PT exam.** The message text will be included in the invitation e-mail. This can be used to provide additional information or instructions to participants. When you're done, click **Add Event** to create your event.



You will be returned to the Test Events List.

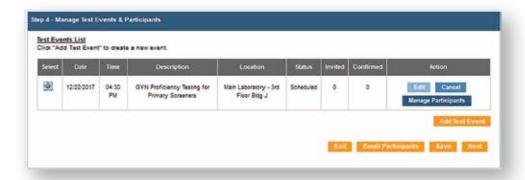


At this point you have the option to:

**Add Test Event** – Create additional events.

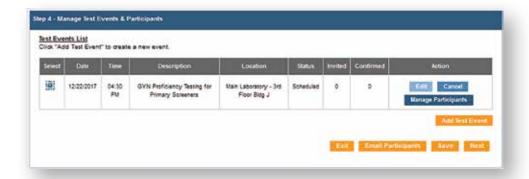
**Note:** If your testing occurs over more than one day, you will need to set up at least one event per day of testing. (The event date is automatically populated into the response form and must match the date testing actually took place for each individual.)

Or, click the radio button associated with an event and **Edit, Cancel** or **Manage Participants:** 



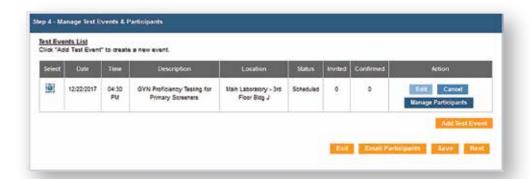
Proctors that are also testers must test **PRIOR** to proctoring others during the testing event; therefore, the first Test Event should consist of the testing Proctor(s) and should be proctored by a non-testing individual. PROCTORS CANNOT PROCTOR THEIR OWN GYN PT EXAM.

**Edit** – Change event details by highlighting the radio button for the event and click the **Edit** button.

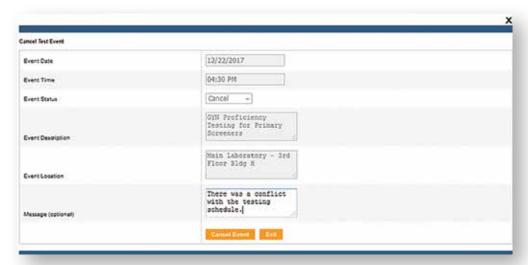


Click the **Modify Event** button to save your changes. The system will automatically generate notification e-mails to any participants.

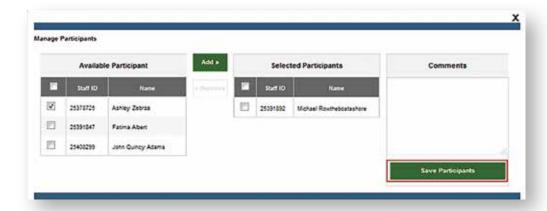
**Cancel** – To cancel an event, click on the radio button for the event and click the **Cancel** button.



Modify the **Message** text if you would like and click the **Cancel Event** button. The system will automatically generate notification e-mails to the participants.

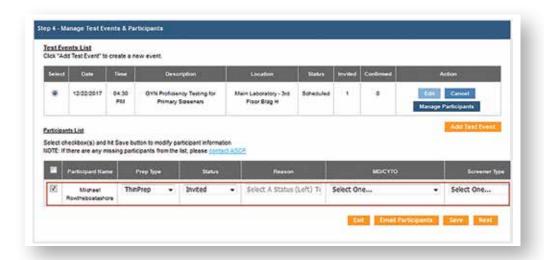


Manage Participants – To add participants to an event, click on the list of Available Participants on the left and click the Add button to move them to the Selected Participants column. If you make a mistake, click the checkbox next to the Selected Participant and click Remove. You can enter an optional comment that will be included into the invitation e-mail. To send invitations click Email Participants.



**Participant Invitations** – The system automatically generates invitations to participants with an **Accept** or **Decline** option. If an invitation is declined, the participant is required to select a reason from a predefined list of choices, with the option to include additional comments.

Participant Maintenance – Clicking on the radio button next to an event will display a Participant List invited to the event. You can update the participant invitation status and testing profile information by clicking the checkbox next to their name. Proctors must review and update each participants testing profile (MD/CYTO and Screener Type, as well as Primary versus Secondary Screener) prior to the start of the testing event. Click the **Save** button when you are done.



If a participant has not responded to the invitation, the Proctor must also update the participant's **Status** prior to the start of the testing event. Below are the available choices:



**Invited** – Invitation sent but no reply

**Confirmed** – Participant confirmed their attendance

**Declined** – Participant declined the invitation – The proctor should forward the list of all individuals who declined the invitation to the Lab Director for determination as to whether or not their absence should be recorded as an **Excused** or an **Unexcused** absence.

If a participant **fails to reply,** the proctor can manually mark them as **Confirmed** or forward to the Lab Director for determination as to whether or not their absence should be recorded as an **Excused** or an **Unexcused** absence.

# **Step 5 – Set Assignments & Response Forms**

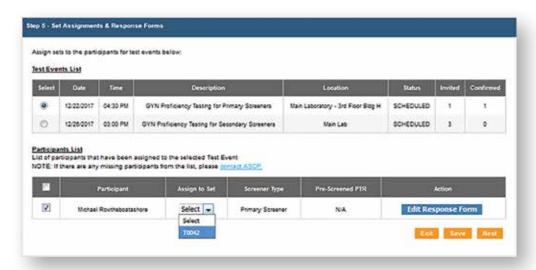
In this step you can assign glass slide sets to the Screeners. Each set must be reviewed by a Primary Screener before it can be assigned to one or more Secondary Screeners. Once a Primary Screener has submitted their responses, the set they reviewed can be assigned to one or more Secondary Screeners.

**REMEMBER:** Proctors cannot proctor their own exam; therefore, they are unable to assign a set to themselves or enter their own response form while serving under the function of a Proctor. In this circumstance, the secondary Proctor must sign on using their individual login for the ASCP web site. Once signed on, they can begin at Step 5; opening the testing event the testing Proctor(s) is assigned to and proceed with the steps outlined below. The testing Proctor can enter their own results while **AT A WORKSTATION IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE PROCTOR.** 

Select the radio button for an event to see the confirmed **Participant List.** Choose a Participant and select a set from the dropdown under the **Assign to Set** column. Click the **Save** button.

If the Participant is a Primary Screener and the set assignment dropdown is empty, verify that you accepted set(s) in **Step 3** - **Verification & Inspection of Sets.** 

If the Participant is a Secondary Screener and the set assignment dropdown is empty, verify that the set has been pre-screened by a Primary Screener. Select the individual who pre-screened the set from the dropdown under **Pre-screened PTR.** Click the **SAVE** button.



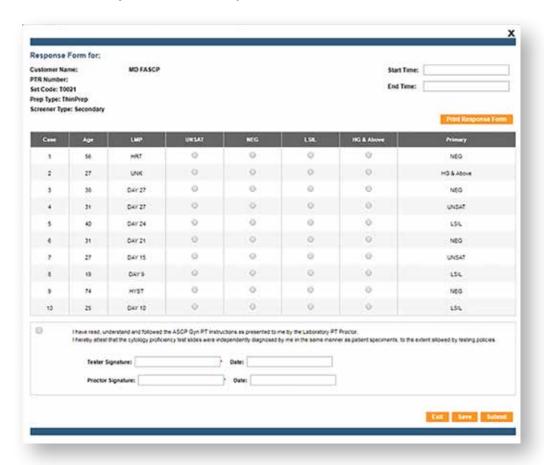
**TO PRINT RESPONSE FORMS FOR TESTERS:** After assigning the set, click on **Edit Response Form** button for the selected participant. When the Response Form displays, click on **Print Response Form** button. You should record the testing **Start Time** on the Response Form before giving it to the participant with their test slide set.

**NOTE:** If the participant, or Proctor, enters the responses issued by the primary screener prior to assigning the test box to the secondary-screening physician, the responses rendered by the primary screener will be present in the far right column of Response Form.

#### Response Form for: **Customer Name:** Start Time: PTR Number: End Time: Set Code: T0021 Prep Type: ThinPrep Screener Type: Primary UNSAT Line LSIL 0 0 0 56 HRT 0 0 0 0 0 27 UNK 0 Ġ 0 0 38 **DAY 27** 0 21 DAY 27 0 0 0 0 45 D4V 24 0 0 0 0 31 Ó 0 0 0 27 DAY 15 0 0 0 0 DAY 9 Ò 0 Ö 0 74 HYST 0 0 10 25 DAY 10 I have read, understand and followed the ASCP Gyrt PT Instructions as presented to me by the Laboratory PT Proctor I hereby affect that the cytology proficiency test sides were independently diagnosed by me in the same manner as patient speciments, to the extent slowed by testing policies Tester Signature: Proctor Signature:

# **Primary Screener Response Form**

# Secondary Screener Response Form (with primary screener responses entered):



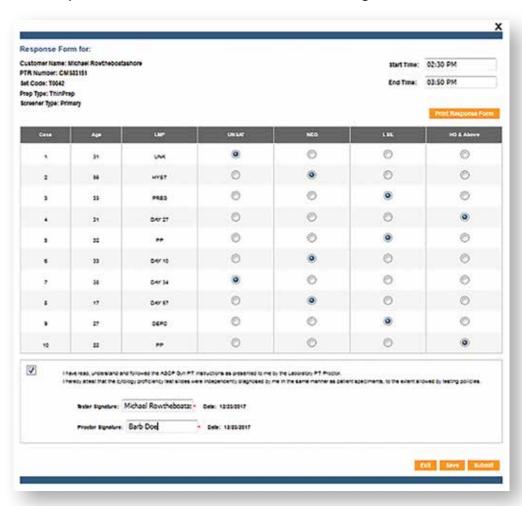
After a participant completes their Response Form, the Proctor should record the **End Time** on the Response Form. Click on the **Edit Response Form** button to enter the Participant's responses.

Ideally you should have the Participants enter their own responses AT A WORKSTATION IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE PROCTOR and double check everything before final submission. This reduces the chance of data entry errors.

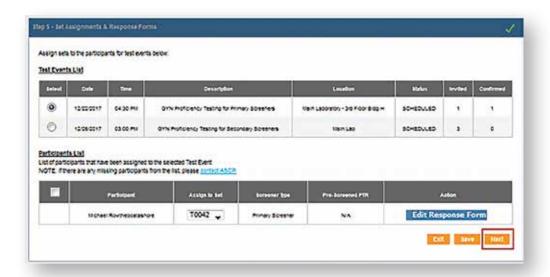
If this is not possible, the Proctor must enter the responses for the participants. The tester should have the opportunity to review the responses entered by the Proctor prior to "submitting" their answers.

If the participant does not indicate a response for a case(s), the Proctor is to leave the response category BLANK for that case.

Responses can be saved incrementally by clicking the **Save** button. Click the **Submit** button for the final submission. *After submission, the Response Form is final and cannot be changed.* 

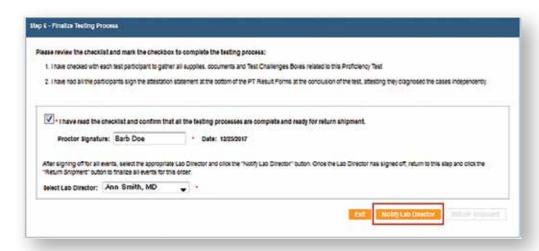


After all Response Forms have been entered, click the **Next** button to go to **Step - 6 Finalize Testing Process.** 



# **Step 6 - Finalize Testing Process**

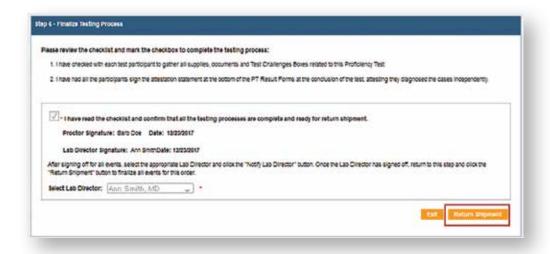
To close out the testing, you must sign-off that testing is complete. Click the checkbox and enter your name in the **Proctor Signature** box and select your Lab Director from the choices available in the **Select Lab Director** dropdown. Click the **Notify Lab Director** button to complete this step.



The Lab Director will receive an email entitled **PROFICIENCY TESTING EVENT APPROVAL & SIGNOFF.** The Lab Director must electronically approve and sign off on the attestation statement included in the email in order to finalize the testing event.

Upon Lab Director sign-off, the **Return Shipment** button will no longer be greyed out.

You are required to return the testing materials to ASCP by the expected return date. Click on the **Return Shipment** button when this is done. A notification e-mail will be sent to ASCP staff.



Your Lab Director will be notified via e-mail when the scoring results are available on his/her dashboard.

Lab Director Summary Reports will be available the same day the GYN PT shipment has been returned unless it has been selected to be audited. Once the audit is complete, the Lab Director Summary Report will be released, an email will be send to the Lab Director, and a link will appear on his/her dashboard.

