### PURPOSE

To define the organization's compliance with waived testing criteria and the need for a certificate of laboratory services.

### POLICY

The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act (CLIA) of 1988 requires all clinical laboratories to possess a CLIA certificate in order to perform testing of human specimens. Certain tests are listed on a waived list.

### PROCEDURE

1. Ohio Living Home Health will perform the following permitted laboratory tests in the home.
	1. Prothrombin time and International Normalized Ratio (PT/INR)
2. Ohio Living Home Health will apply for and maintain a CLIA waiver on file.
3. Patients who require laboratory tests performed that are not within the scope of tests offered will have their specimens transported to a CLIA certified laboratory for testing.
4. Policies and procedures for each type of waived test performed will include, at a minimum:
	1. Indications and purpose of the test
	2. Personnel responsible for performing and supervising waived testing
	3. Training of staff in performing waived tests
	4. Parameters for requiring follow-up or referral
	5. Mechanism used to ensure accuracy of testing instruments used