

## ORG: Staff Authority

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### Authority of personnel

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The laboratory has top and key management staff and technical personnel who, irrespective of other responsibilities, have the authority and resources needed to carry out their duties, including the implementation, maintenance, and improvement of the Quality System.

Key personnel that are involved in or influence the testing and calibration activities of the laboratory are described below.

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### Top management

The Laboratory Director is the top management position who

- directly supervises the Supervising Criminalists and the administrative staff,
  - is responsible for overall planning, organizing, and directing the operations of the Laboratory of Forensic Services and
  - possesses sufficient authority to make and enforce decisions within the laboratory.
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### Key management

The following are key management positions in the laboratory:

- The Quality Manager, who manages the laboratory's Quality System
  - The supervising criminalists, who supervise the technical and evidence control staff and perform other administrative and technical functions as required.
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### Technical staff

The technical staff, consisting of criminalists and forensic laboratory technicians, who perform technical functions as required.

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