

Blood pH and Gases	
Standard	Guidance
The following specialty sustaining standards of practices shall be incorporated into the laboratory's quality management system, where applicable to the scope of services provided.	
Blood pH and Gases Standard 1 (BP S1) For blood gas instruments: a) three levels of control shall be used on each day of testing, and a minimum of one control shall be run each eight hours of testing; and, b) a control or calibrator shall be run with each patient unless the blood gas instrument internally verifies the calibration at a minimum of every 30 minutes.	