

**POLICY STATEMENT**  
**TENNESSEE MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD**

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**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF AN ACCEPTABLE  
CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK**

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All applicants seeking licensure as Medical Laboratory Personnel are required to submit to a criminal background check as a prerequisite to licensure. The applicant shall submit to a FBI/TBI fingerprint scan through the State of Tennessee's approved vendor or its equivalent as determined by the Board. The results of the criminal background check must be submitted directly from the vendor identified in the Board's licensure application materials to the Board's office (Tenn Comp R and Regs Rule 1200-06-01-.05(1)(m)). In the event that an applicant's criminal background check cannot be performed because the applicant's fingerprints are unreadable, then the applicant's criminal background check will be performed based on the applicant's name and social security number.

Adopted by the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, 2009.