

Diagnostic Lab Setup Guide

Diagnostics, Labs & Imaging

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Produces a setup plan for a diagnostic centre — model, location, registrations, pathologist, equipment, sample workflow and a launch checklist. Use it to start out. For a funding document use the Diagnostic Centre Business Plan.

Purpose of this tool & output

Start a pathology lab or diagnostic centre

How the output is used

Use it as your first roadmap to start a pathology lab or diagnostic centre — the model, licences, equipment and signatory, then move to the full plan.

Important cautions

A pathology lab needs a qualified signatory (MD Pathology or as your state allows); X-ray/CT need an AERB licence; any ultrasound or imaging that can detect fetal sex needs PC-PNDT registration; all diagnostic centres need Biomedical Waste authorisation. Registrations vary by state — confirm with your state health authority and AERB before starting.

Companion documents

- Diagnostic Centre Business Plan
- Diagnostic Model Selector
- Diagnostic Centre Feasibility Study
- Location & Catchment Analysis
- Lab Org Structure Planner
- Franchise vs Own-Brand Comparison

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.