PJLA Update Notification

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Update Notification Release Date: May 14, 2024
Form/Procedure/Policy: DoD DOE QSM 6.0 Checklist-Release and Implementation

Attention Applicant/Accredited Organizations

Effective Immediately:

PJLA has released the PJLA DoD DOE QSM 6.0 Working Document Checklists

These can be found in the PJLA Documents on the PJLA website:
https://www.pjlabs.com/resources/pjla-documents

Changes from QSM 5.4 to QSM 6.0 include the following:
- Clarification on shall states to define requirements clearly
- Appendix A & E are now in Module 2
- The table in Appendix B has been reformatted
- Appendix C includes minor changes to the LCS recovery limits
- Appendix D has been removed
- An industrial hygiene section was added to Module 8
- DOECAP only hazardous and radioactive materials management (HRMM) requirements can be found Module 2, Section 9

Implementation Requirements:
Accredited Laboratories will be required to comply with the requirements of QSM 6.0 as part of their routine accreditation cycle beginning six months after the release date, December 20, 2023 with all laboratories having to meet the requirements 30 months after the release date.

During the transition period, contractors have been informed that although QSM 6.0 is a significant rewrite of QSM requirements, data quality and defensibility under earlier QSM versions will be comparable, and projects do not need to routinely require the "latest version" of the QSM when developing Performance Work Statements (PWS) or Statements of Work (SOW).

Organizations shall contact PJLA discuss transition requirements.

Thank you!