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### **CCBI RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION**

The Raleigh/Wake [City-County Bureau of Identification](#) (CCBI) Crime Laboratory received international accreditation by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors Laboratory Accrediting Board (ASCLD) on Tuesday, June 11, 2013. CCBI is one of only three local laboratories in North Carolina to receive this international accreditation.

“Achieving this accreditation is extremely important to the advancement of Wake County's criminal justice system. CCBI is an agency that continuously strives for excellence, with a desire to serve as a model for other crime laboratories,” said CCBI Director Sam Pennica.

Forensic crime laboratories serve as a critical component of criminal investigations and the administration of justice. Meeting the standards of this accreditation not only improved the quality of the laboratory services provided but also enhanced the development of criteria which are used to assess laboratory performance and strengthen the overall lab operation.

Additionally, achieving this accreditation creates an independent, impartial and objective review system ensuring the public and service users that CCBI retains the highest standards of evidence analysis.

The Wake County Board of Commissioners recognized CCBI for the accreditation at their regularly scheduled board meeting Monday, July 1, 2013.

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