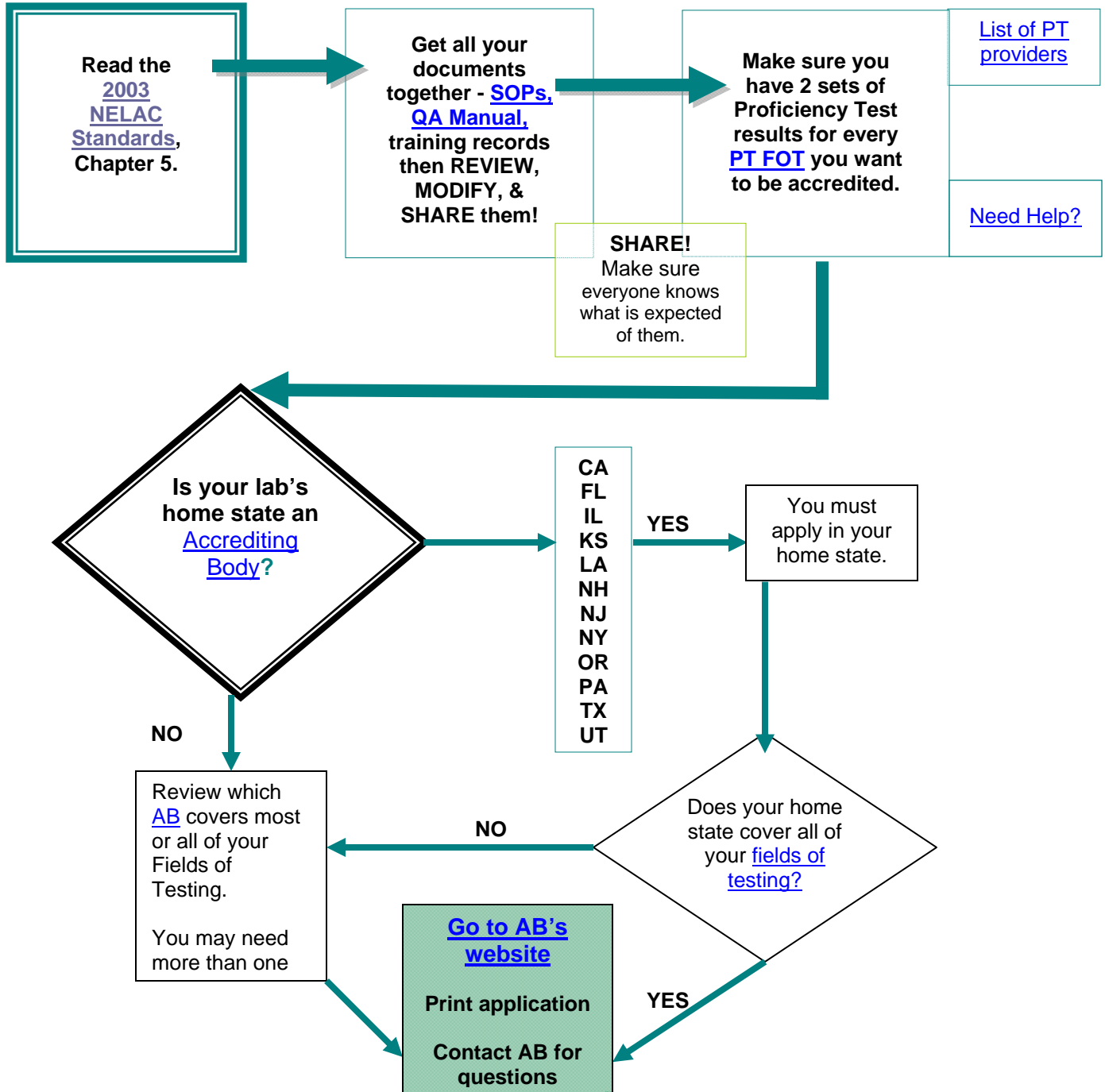


# To get my laboratory accredited, where would I begin?



**AB** = accreditation body (the organization granting your accreditation)

**FOT** = fields of testing. Each combination of matrix (non-potable water, drinking water, solid and chemical materials), method/technology, and analyte is considered an FOT.

**PT FOT** = FOTs that have PT requirements for accreditation ([view tables](#))

**SOP** = Standard Operating Procedures

**QA Manual** = document which contains or addresses the lab-specific collection of policies, procedures, and quality related documents.