

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 01D1063889	(X3) Date Survey Completed 07/13/2021
Name of Provider or Supplier Middle Creek Medical Center	Street Address, City, State 4810 Bell Hill Road, Bessemer, AL	
For information on the provider's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the provider or the state survey agency.		

(X4) ID Prefix Tag	Summary Statement of Deficiencies
D6046	<p>TECHNICAL CONSULTANT RESPONSIBILITIES CFR(s): 493.1413(b)(8)</p> <p>(b) The technical consultant is responsible for-- (b)(8) Evaluating the competency of all testing personnel and assuring that the staff maintain their competency to perform test procedures and report test results promptly, accurately and proficiently.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on reviews of competency evaluations, a review of proficiency testing (PT) records, and an interview with Testing Personnel #6, the Technical Consultant failed to evaluate the competency of all testing personnel, assuring the staff maintained their competency to perform test procedures for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations. This was noted from January 2019 to June 2021 for 5 out of 12 Provider-Performed Microscopy (PPM) Testing Personnel. The findings include: 1. A review of competency evaluations revealed personnel who performed Provider-Performed Microscopy were not evaluated on their competency to perform Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations. a) Testing Personnel #6 was previously qualified for Provider-Performed Microscopy and no annual competency evaluations for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations were documented from January 2020 to June 2021. b) Testing Personnel #8 was new for Provider-Performed Microscopy and no initial training or six month/annual competency evaluations for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations were documented from January 2020 to June 2021. c) Testing Personnel #9 was new for Provider-Performed Microscopy and no initial training or six month/annual competency evaluations for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations were documented from January 2020 to June 2021. d) Testing Personnel #10 was previously qualified for Provider-Performed Microscopy and no annual</p>

competency evaluations for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations were documented from January 2020 to June 2021. e) Testing Personnel #11 was previously qualified for Provider-Performed Microscopy and no annual competency evaluations for Urine Sediment examinations, Direct Wet Mount Preparations, and Potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations were documented from January 2020 to June 2021. 2 A review of the 2018 - 2021 API (American Proficiency Institute) Proficiency Testing records revealed the laboratory failed one out of eight of Urine Sediment PT events, one out of eight Vaginal Wet Prep - KOH PT events, and two out of eight Vaginal Wet Prep PT events. a) 2018 Hematology 3rd Event 0% Vaginal Wet Prep -KOH performed by Testing Personnel #6, corrective action was documented as discussed with provider and corrective action was taken. b) 2019 Hematology 3rd Event 50% Urine Sediment performed by Testing Personnel #6, corrective action was documented as Laboratory Director reviewed with provider and PPM covered with staff. c) 2020 Hematology 1st Event 0% Vaginal Wet Prep performed by previous Testing Personnel, corrective action was documented as Laboratory Director reviewed with provider and PPM covered with staff. d) 2020 Hematology 3rd Event 0% Vaginal Wet Prep performed by previous Testing Personnel, corrective action was documented as difference was explained to provider between clue cell and epithelial cells. 3. During an interview on 07/13/2021 at 01:50 PM, Testing Personnel #6 stated they had never done Competency Evaluations on Provider-Performed Microscopy personnel.