

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 03D0969376	(X3) Date Survey Completed 04/11/2018
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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
D5775	<p>COMPARISON OF TEST RESULTS CFR(s): 493.1281(a)(c)</p> <p>(a) If a laboratory performs the same test using different methodologies or instruments, or performs the same test at multiple testing sites, the laboratory must have a system that twice a year evaluates and defines the relationship between test results using the different methodologies, instruments, or testing sites. (c) The laboratory must document all test result comparison activities.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of correlation results for Ribonucleoprotein (RNP) antibodies tested on two Dynex DS instruments (DS1 and DS2) in August 2017 and interview with the technical supervisor, the laboratory failed to have a system in place in terms of policy and procedures that evaluates the comparison of the testing results received by both instruments to determine the acceptability of the difference in test values. Findings include: 1. The data presented for review indicated that the correlation between the instruments was deemed acceptable by the technical supervisor, but there was no criteria indicated in a policy and procedure that supported the acceptability of the comparison. 2. The technical supervisor acknowledged that there were no policies and procedures that defined the acceptable differences in test values for the correlation data. 3. The laboratory has several analytes that may be run on more than one instrument that require correlation studies.</p>