

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 05D0670166	(X3) Date Survey Completed 10/19/2021
Name of Provider or Supplier Imperial County Public Health Laboratory	Street Address, City, State 935 Broadway, El Centro, CA	
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
D5203	<p>SPECIMEN IDENTIFICATION AND INTEGRITY CFR(s): 493.1232</p> <p>The laboratory must establish and follow written policies and procedures that ensure positive identification and optimum integrity of a patient's specimen from the time of collection or receipt of the specimen through completion of testing and reporting of results.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of patient testing logs, patient final testing reports [electronic medical records (EMR)], and interview with the laboratory director on 10/19/2021 at 10:30 a.m., it was determined that from February 2020 through August 2021 for one (1) out of eleven (11) random patient testing records reviewed, the laboratory failed to follow written policies and procedures for specimen collection, through completion of testing and reporting results. The findings included: 1. Review of the rapid plasma reagin (RPR) patient test log (RPR Bench Worksheet) on 10/19/2021 (survey date) and patient's final test report [electronic medical record (EMR)], it was found that patient test result was transcribed discordant to the result in the EMR. RPR Bench Worksheet for Specimen # 202075 on 02/24/2020 recorded a result of R, 1:16 and Conclusion Reactive, but the patient's EMR conclusion was Reactive 1:8 Dilution. 2. On 10/19//2021 at 1:45 p.m. (survey date), the laboratory director affirmed that the patient testing result on the RPR Bench worksheet was different than the result in the patient's electronic medical record. 3. Based on the laboratory's annual test volume declaration (10/18/2021) the laboratory performed 50 RPR.</p>