

<b>Statement of Deficiencies</b>	<b>(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number</b>  10D0683133	<b>(X3) Date Survey Completed</b>  01/31/2023
<b>Name of Provider or Supplier</b>  Palm Beach County Health Department-Laboratory	<b>Street Address, City, State</b>  1150 45th St Rm L-200, West Palm Beach, FL	
For information on the provider's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the provider or the state survey agency.		

<b>(X4) ID Prefix Tag</b>	<b>Summary Statement of Deficiencies</b>
<b>D0000</b>	An announced recertification survey was conducted on 1/31/23 at Palm Beach County Health Department, a clinical laboratory in West Palm Beach, Florida. Palm Beach County Health Department was found not in compliance with Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 42, Part 493, Laboratory Requirements.
<b>D5215</b>	<p><b>EVALUATION OF PROFICIENCY TESTING PERFORMANCE</b> CFR(s): 493.1236(b)(2)</p> <p>The laboratory must verify the accuracy of any analyte, specialty or subspecialty assigned a proficiency testing score that does not reflect laboratory test performance (that is, when the proficiency testing program does not obtain the agreement required for scoring as specified in subpart I of this part, or the laboratory receives a zero score for nonparticipation, or late return or results).</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of CAP (College of American Pathologists) proficiency testing results and interview with Technical Supervisor D, the laboratory failed to document evaluation of proficiency testing (PT) results that were ungraded for the 3rd HIV (Human immunodeficiency virus) Viral Load testing event of 2022 and the 2nd Human Papilloma virus (HPV) testing event of 2022. Findings Include: Review of CAP proficiency testing events CHPV-B 2022 and HIV-C 2022 showed an Exception Reason Code of 33 as the grade given to the laboratory. The CAP uses "Exception Reason Codes" to signify the PT for an analyte that has not been graded. The description for Code 33 states: "Document that the laboratory has contacted CAP and no replacement specimens were available. Perform and document alternative assessment (i.e., split sample) for the period that commercial PT was not tested to the same level and extent that would have been tested". During an interview on 1/31/23 at 12:10 p.m., Technical Supervisor D confirmed that the laboratory did not perform an alternative assessment for HPV or HIV testing.</p>