

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 16D0384646	(X3) Date Survey Completed 07/07/2026
Name of Provider or Supplier Buchanan County Health Center	Street Address, City, State 1600 First Street East, Independence, IA	
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
D2009	TESTING OF PROFICIENCY TESTING SAMPLES CFR(s): 493.801(b)(1) (b)(1) The individual testing or examining the samples and the laboratory director must attest to the routine integration of the samples into the patient workload using the laboratory's routine methods. This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of proficiency testing (PT) records and confirmed by interview with General Supervisor #1 (GS #1) at 9:47 am on 07/07/2026, the laboratory director and testing personnel failed to attest to the routine integration of PT samples into the patient workload for four out of seven proficiency testing events from 1/1/2024 - 07/07/2026. The findings include: 1. For 2025 event 1, the following attestation statements were not signed by the required personnel: *American Proficiency Institute (API) Miscellaneous Chemistry- laboratory director and testing personnel *API Hematology /Coagulation- laboratory director *API Immunology/Immunohematology- laboratory director 2. For 2025 event 2, the following attestation statements were not signed by the required personnel: *API Supplemental Bilirubin- laboratory director and testing personnel 3. For 2025 event 3, the following attestation statements were not signed by the required personnel: *API Core Chemistry- laboratory director 4. For 2026 event 1, the following attestation statements were not signed by the required personnel: *API Microbiology- laboratory director and testing personnel 5. At the time of the survey, GS #1 confirmed that the required personnel failed to sign the PT attestation statements listed above.
D3037	RETENTION REQUIREMENTS CFR(s): 493.1105(a)(4) (a)(4) Proficiency testing records. Retain all proficiency testing records for at least 2 years.

This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:
Based on review of proficiency testing records and confirmed by interview with General Supervisor #1 (GS #1) at 9:47 am on 07/07/2026, the laboratory failed to retain proficiency testing attestation statements for three out of seven proficiency testing events from 1/1/2024 - 07/07/2026. The findings include: 1. For 2025 event 2, the laboratory did not have the following attestation statements: *American Proficiency Institute (API) Immunology/ Immunochemistry 2. For 2025 event 3, the laboratory did not have the following attestation statements: *API Immunology/ Immunochemistry *API Hematology/Coagulation *API Core Chemistry 3. For 2026 event 1, the laboratory did not have the following attestation statements: *API Immunology/ Immunochemistry *API Hematology/Coagulation *API Core Chemistry 4. At the time of the survey, GS #1 confirmed that the laboratory failed to retain the proficiency testing attestation statements listed above.

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EVALUATION OF PROFICIENCY TESTING PERFORMANCE
CFR(s): 493.1236(d)

All proficiency testing evaluation and verification activities must be documented.

This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:
Based on review of proficiency testing (PT) records and confirmed by interview with General Supervisor #1 (GS #1) at 9:47 am on 07/07/2026, the laboratory failed to take and document corrective action for eight unacceptable PT scores from three out of seven PT testing events from 01/01/2024- 07/07/2026. The findings include: 1. For 2024 testing event 3, the laboratory received unacceptable PT test scores for the following: *Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) PT 2024- Chem/Endo /Tx3- total bilirubin, elevated (specimens NB-11, NB-12, and NB-14) 2. For 2025 testing event 1, the laboratory received unacceptable PT test scores for the following: *American Proficiency Institute (API) Core Chemistry- creatinine (specimen CH-04) *API Hematology/Coagulation- hematocrit (specimen XE-05) 3. For 2025 testing event 3, the laboratory received unacceptable PT test scores for the following: *API Core Chemistry- CO2 (specimen CH-12) and albumin (specimen CH-12) *API Microbiology- BioFire Filmarray RP2.1 Influenza A (specimen RSP-13) 3. At the time of the survey, GS #1 confirmed the laboratory failed to take and document corrective action for the unacceptable PT test scores listed above.