

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 16D0667607	(X3) Date Survey Completed 01/25/2023
Name of Provider or Supplier Linn County Public Health	Street Address, City, State 1020 6th Street Se, Cedar Rapids, 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
D2026	<p>BACTERIOLOGY CFR(s): 493.823(d)</p> <p>(1) For any unsatisfactory testing event for reasons other than a failure to participate, the laboratory must undertake appropriate training and employ the technical assistance necessary to correct problems associated with a proficiency testing failure. (2) Remedial action must be taken and documented, and the documentation must be maintained by the laboratory for two years from the date of participation in the proficiency testing event.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of proficiency testing (PT) records and confirmed by laboratory personnel #1 (refer to Laboratory Personnel Report) at approximately 9:30 am on 1/25 /2023, the laboratory failed to document corrective action when they received unsatisfactory scores for two out of six testing events in 2021 and 2022. The findings include: 1. For 2021 testing event 2, the laboratory received an unsatisfactory PT score of 60% for gram stain morphology. 2. For 2021 testing event 3, the laboratory received an unsatisfactory PT score of 80% for gram stain morphology. 3. At the time of the survey, the laboratory did not document corrective action for the above unsatisfactory PT scores.</p>
D5215	<p>EVALUATION OF PROFICIENCY TESTING PERFORMANCE 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>

This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:

Based on review of proficiency testing (PT records) and confirmed by laboratory personnel identifier #1 (refer to the Laboratory Personnel Report) at approximately 9:30 am on 1/25/2023, the laboratory failed to perform a self evaluation of non-graded PT scores for five out of six PT testing events in 2021 and 2022. The findings include:

1. For 2021 testing event 1, the PT company did not grade gram stain morphology specimen D5-04.
2. For 2021 testing event 3, the PT company did not grade gram stain specimen D5-15 and gram stain morphology specimen D5-14.
3. For 2022 testing event 1, the PT company did not grade gram stain specimen D5-03.
4. For 2022 testing event 2, the PT company did not grade gram stain morphology specimen D5-09.
5. For 2022 testing event 3, the PT company did not grade gram stain morphology specimen D5-13.
6. At the time of the survey, the laboratory did not have a self evaluation for the above non-graded PT scores.