

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 19D0464339	(X3) Date Survey Completed 03/19/2026
Name of Provider or Supplier Steven Unkel Md	Street Address, City, State 811 James Ave, Farmerville, LA	
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
D2127	HEMATOLOGY CFR(s): 493.851(d) (d) Failure to return proficiency testing results to the proficiency testing program within the time frame specified by the program is unsatisfactory performance and results in a score of 0 for the testing event. This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: ****An on-site follow-up survey was performed at Steven Unkle, MD, CLIA ID 19D0464339, on March 19, 2026.**** Based on review of the laboratory's American Association of Bioanalysts (AAB) proficiency testing results and interview with personnel, the laboratory failed to submit results to AAB prior to the event cutoff for Event 1 in Hematology resulting in a score of 0. Findings: 1. Review of the laboratory's American Association of Bioanalysts (AAB) proficiency testing results revealed the laboratory performed the proficiency testing for 2026 M1 Testing Event; however, there wasn't documentation that the results were submitted to AAB. 2. Further review of the AAB proficiency testing documentation revealed the reporting deadline was on Friday, February 20, 2026, 10 PM Central Time. 3. In interview on March 19, 2026 at 2:06 pm, Testing Personnel 1 stated that she performed the proficiency testing but did not submit the results for the identified event by the deadline. Testing Personnel further stated that she did not inform AAB that the deadline was missed but testing was completed.
D6017	LABORATORY DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES CFR(s): 493.1407(e)(4)(ii) (e)(4)(ii) Ensure that results are returned within the timeframes established by the proficiency testing program;

	This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: ****An on-site follow-up survey was performed at Steven Unkle, MD, CLIA ID 19D0464339 on March 19, 2026.**** Based on review of proficiency testing records and interview with personnel, the Laboratory Director failed to ensure proficiency test results were returned within the required timeframe. Refer to D2127.
D6028	LABORATORY DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES CFR(s): 493.1407(e)(10) (e)(10) Employ a sufficient number of laboratory personnel with the appropriate education and either experience or training to provide appropriate consultation, properly supervise and accurately perform tests and report test results in accordance with the personnel responsibilities described in this subpart; This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: ****An on-site follow-up survey was performed at Steven Unkle, MD, CLIA ID 19D0464339, on March 19, 2026.**** Based on review of laboratory policy, personnel records and interview with personnel, the Laboratory Director failed to ensure the laboratory employed testing personnel that met the licensure requirements. Refer to D6064.