

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 21D2069980	(X3) Date Survey Completed 10/13/2023
Name of Provider or Supplier Patient First - Towson	Street Address, City, State 950 York Road, Towson, MD	
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
D5785	<p>CORRECTIVE ACTIONS CFR(s): 493.1282(b)(3)</p> <p>(b) The laboratory must document all corrective actions taken, including actions taken when any of the following occur: (b)(3) The criteria for proper storage of reagents and specimens, as specified under 493.1252(b), are not met.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of temperature records and interview with the technical consultant (TC), the laboratory failed to document corrective actions when the refrigerator was out of acceptable range for four consecutive days in April 2022. Findings: 1. The laboratory stored test cartridges and quality control (QC) in the refrigerator. 2. Monthly temperature records were reviewed from March and April 2022 and January and February 2023. 3. The acceptable refrigerator temperature was defined as 4 degrees Celsius (C) plus or minus 2 degrees. 4. The documented refrigerator temperature from April 16-18, 2022 was -3C and on April 19, 2022 was -2C. 5. There were no documented comments or corrective actions indicating whether the negative sign was added erroneously or if the out of range temperatures affected the test cartridges and/or QC stored in the refrigerator. 6. During the survey on 10/13/2023 at 12:30 PM, the TC confirmed that the refrigerator was documented as out of acceptable range for four consecutive days in April 2022 and no corrective actions were documented.</p>