

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 22D0068959	(X3) Date Survey Completed 02/18/2026
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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
D2006	<p>TESTING OF PROFICIENCY TESTING SAMPLES CFR(s): 493.801(b)</p> <p>(b)The laboratory must examine or test, as applicable, the proficiency testing samples it receives from the proficiency testing program in the same manner as it tests patient specimens. This testing must be conducted in conformance with paragraph (b)(4) of this section. If the laboratory's patient specimen testing procedures would normally require reflex, distributive, or confirmatory testing at another laboratory, the laboratory should test the proficiency testing sample as it would a patient specimen up until the point it would refer a patient specimen to a second laboratory for any form of further testing.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and staff interview the laboratory failed to ensure proficiency testing (PT) material is tested in the same manner as patient samples in the specialty of Hematology. Findings include: 1. Record review on 2/12/2026 of the laboratory's 2024 and 2025 College of American Pathologists, Hematology PT records, revealed: a. 2024 Event 1 - Sample FH1-01 was tested by 2 different testing personnel (TP) b. 2024 Event 2 - Samples FH-06, FH-07, FH-08, and FH-10 were was tested by 3 different TP. Sample FH-09 was tested by 2 different TP. c. 2024 Event 3 - Sample FH-11 was tested by 3 different TP. Samples FH-12, FH-13, FH-14, and FH-15 were tested by 2 different TP. d. 2025 Event 1 - Samples FH-01, FH-02, FH-03, and FH-05 were tested by 3 different TP. Sample FH-04 was tested by 2 different TP. e. 2025 Event 2 - All Samples were tested by 2 different TP. f. 2025 Event 3 - Sample FH-13 was tested by 3 different TP. Samples FH-11, FH-12, FH-14, and FH-15 were tested by 2 different TP. 2. Staff interview on 2/12/2026 at 11:00 AM with the Laboratory Manager (LM): a. Confirmed more than one TP performed testing on the above samples before the PT results due date. b. The LM stated, "This is the first we ever heard that this could not be done." 3. The laboratory performs 10,441 tests annually in the specialty of Hematology.</p>