

<b>Statement of Deficiencies</b>	<b>(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number</b> 25D0956848	<b>(X3) Date Survey Completed</b> 11/12/2019
<b>Name of Provider or Supplier</b> Corinth Medical Specialists	<b>Street Address, City, State</b> 3301 Tinin Drive, Corinth, MS	
For information on the provider's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the provider or the state survey agency.		

<b>(X4) ID Prefix Tag</b>	<b>Summary Statement of Deficiencies</b>
<b>D6029</b>	<p><b>LABORATORY DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES</b> CFR(s): 493.1407(e)(11)</p> <p>The laboratory director is responsible for the overall operation and administration of the laboratory, including the employment of personnel who are competent to perform test procedures, and record and report test results promptly, accurate, and proficiently and for assuring compliance with the applicable regulations. (e) The laboratory director must-- (e)(11) Ensure that prior to testing patients' specimens, all personnel have the appropriate education and experience, receive the appropriate training for the type and complexity of the services offered, and have demonstrated that they can perform all testing operations reliably to provide and report accurate results.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of the personnel testing records on 11/12/19 (day of survey) and the lack of education documentation, the laboratory director did not ensure that testing personnel #3 listed on the CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) 209 personnel form had the appropriate education and training to perform moderate complexity testing prior to testing patients. Findings include: 1. According to review of the personnel records the day of survey, there was no documentation of education, training or competency for testing personnel (TP) #3. 2. Interview with laboratory manager/TP #1 revealed TP #3 was trained to perform patient and quality control testing on the Vitros 350 and ECI chemistry analyzers but training was not documented. 3. No documentation of TP #3's education was available for review.</p>
<b>D6053</b>	<p><b>TECHNICAL CONSULTANT RESPONSIBILITIES</b> CFR(s): 493.1413(b)(9)</p> <p>The technical consultant is responsible for evaluating and documenting the performance of individuals responsible for moderate complexity testing at least semiannually during the first year the individual tests patient specimens.</p>

This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:  
Based on review of laboratory personnel records and the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) 209 personnel form, the technical consultant failed to evaluate and document the competency of testing personnel #3 who was hired to perform moderate complexity testing, at least semiannually during the first year of employment. Testing personnel #3 began performing testing on patient specimens in April 2019.

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**TESTING PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS**  
CFR(s): 493.1423(b)(4)(ii)

Each individual performing moderate complexity testing must have training to ensure that the individual has-- (A) the skills required for proper specimen collection, including patient preparation, if applicable, labeling, handling, preservation or fixation, processing or preparation, transportation and storage of specimens; (B) the skills required for implementing all standard laboratory procedures; (C) the skills required for performing each test method and for proper instrument use; (D) the skills required for performing preventive maintenance, troubleshooting and calibration procedures related to each test performed; (E) a working knowledge of reagent stability and storage; (F) the skills required to implement the quality control policies and procedures of the laboratory; (G) an awareness of the factors that influence test results; and (H) the skills required to assess and verify the validity of patient test results through the evaluation of quality control sample values prior to reporting patient test results.

This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:  
Based on lack of personnel training documentation available on the day of survey and interview with the laboratory manager/testing personnel (TP) #1, TP #3 listed on the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services 209 form had no documentation of training for performing moderate complexity testing in the laboratory. TP #3 began moderate complexity testing in April of 2019. Findings include: 1. There were no training documents for the Vitros 350 or ECI Chemistry Analyzers for TP #3 available for review on the day of survey 11/12/19. 2. Interview with the laboratory manager revealed that there was no written documentation of training for TP #3 before beginning to test patient samples on the Vitros 350 or ECI chemistry analyzers.