Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 34D1015919	(X3) Date Survey Completed 08/12/2024
Name of Provider or Supplier Carolina Mountain Internal Medicine	**Street Address, City, State** 902 Fleming Street, Suite C, Hendersonville, NC	
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
D5417	TEST SYSTEMS, EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS, REAGENT CFR(s): 493.1252(d) Reagents, solutions, culture media, control materials, calibration materials, and other supplies must not be used when they have exceeded their expiration date, have deteriorated, or are of substandard quality. This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview with laboratory staff on 08/12/2024, the laboratory failed to discard materials that had exceeded their expiration dates and were available for use in patient testing. Findings: 1. At approximately 3:30 P.M., the surveyor observed four (4) BD Vacutainer Red Top blood collection tubes with Lot Number 216938 and expiration date 2024-06-30 on the shelf above the sink in the Phlebotomy Collection Station inside the laboratory. 2. At approximately 3:30 P.M., the surveyor observed two (2) Black and Yellow Vacuette blood collection tubes with Lot Number B23023C3 and expiration date 2024-06-02 on the shelf above the sink in the Phlebotomy Collection Station inside the laboratory. 3. At approximately 3:30 P. M., the surveyor observed three (3) Green Aerobic Sterile Collection Swabs with Lot Number P2007450 and expiration date 2023-05-31 in a green basket on the desk in the Phlebotomy Collection Station inside the laboratory. 4. At approximately 3:30 P. M., the surveyor observed five (5) FLOQ Orange Top blood collection tubes with Lot Number 20242016313 and expiration date 2023-06-30 in a green basket on the desk in the Phlebotomy Collection Station inside the laboratory. 5. At approximately 3:30 P. M., the surveyor observed four (4) LabCorp Blood Collection Kits with Lot Number 23101301 and expiration date 07/31/2024 in a green basket on the desk in the Phlebotomy Collection Station inside the laboratory. The expired blood collection tubes and kits were given to laboratory staff who, during an interview at 3:30 P.M., confirmed the identified items had exceeded their expiration dates. The expired items were immediately discarded in the laboratory's biohazard container.Based on observation and interview with laboratory staff on 08/12/2024, the laboratory failed to

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