

Statement of Deficiencies	(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number 45D2244423	(X3) Date Survey Completed 08/11/2026
Name of Provider or Supplier Greater Houston Rheumatology	Street Address, City, State 9614 Huffmeister Road, Houston, TX	
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
D0000	The Greater Houston Rheumatology laboratory was found to be in compliance with the Conditions of the CLIA regulations found at 42 CFR 493.1 through 493.1780, CLIA requirements for laboratories as a result of a recertification survey on August 11, 2026 and recertification is recommended. Standard level deficiencies were cited.
D5213	EVALUATION OF PROFICIENCY TESTING PERFORMANCE CFR(s): 493.1236(b)(1) (b) The laboratory must verify the accuracy of the following: (b)(1) Any analyte or subspecialty without analytes listed in subpart I of this part that is not evaluated or scored by a CMS-approved proficiency testing program. This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on a review of the laboratory's American Proficiency Institute (API) proficiency testing records and staff interview, the laboratory failed to document performance of a self-evaluation of analytes that were 'not graded' by the proficiency testing program for two of five Immunology/Immunohematology testing events in 2025 and 2026. Findings include: 1. A review of the American Proficiency Institute's Performance Evaluation revealed the following: "Laboratories should review the Performance Summary and Comparative Evaluation thoroughly for failures or 'not graded' analytes. Laboratories are responsible for documenting and performing corrective action for failures and must perform a self-evaluation using statistics presented in the Participant Data Summary for analytes that have not been graded." 2. A review of the laboratory's API results from 2025 and 2026 revealed the following Immunology proficiency testing events that included analytes that were scored as 'not graded' and the laboratory failed to have documentation of a self-evaluation: a) 2025 Immunology/Immunohematology - 3rd Event - Anti-dsDNA sample ANA-14 - Anti-SSA sample ANA-15 - Anti-ssDNA sample ANA-15 - Antichromatin Antibody sample ANA-15 b) 2026 Immunology/Immunohematology- 1st Event - Anti-dsDNA sample ANA-03 - Anti-SSA sample ANA-05 - Anti-ssDNA sample ANA-05 3. In an

interview on 8/11/26 at 10:15 a.m. in the laboratory, after review of the records, testing person #1 confirmed the above findings.