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To whom it may concern,

Please let it be known that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's (CDPHE) CLIA Laboratory Certification Program has experienced a number of extenuating circumstances in addition to the Public Health Emergency (PHE) COVID-19 response and has a backlog of Compliance Surveys (Survey) to perform for CLIA laboratories throughout the State of Colorado. It is known and understood by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), who is responsible for administering and maintaining the CLIA program and laws nationwide, that the State of Colorado will have some Laboratories who do not receive their Surveys prior to their CLIA Certificate of Compliance (CoC) expiration date. CMS has authorized an extension of the expiration date of these CoCs monthly until such a time that CDPHE's CLIA Program can clear its backlog. Please feel free to utilize CMS' publicly available CLIA Laboratory lookup tool to verify that this laboratory's CLIA certificate is still valid at:

[https://qcor.cms.gov/advanced\\_find\\_provider.jsp?which=4&backReport=active\\_CLIA.jsp](https://qcor.cms.gov/advanced_find_provider.jsp?which=4&backReport=active_CLIA.jsp)

Be aware this database is updated overnight on Tuesdays each week. During weeks of federal holidays, this update may be delayed. During months in which the last day of the month follows the database update, an inaccurate CLIA certificate expiration date may be displayed.

Please do not hesitate to reach me via email at [Adam.Pietruszka@state.co.us](mailto:Adam.Pietruszka@state.co.us) or via text-message or voice at 720-284-2696 for additional confirmation or questions.

Respectfully,

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