



Center for Clinical Standards and Quality/Quality, Safety & Oversight Group

Public Notice

Date July 22, 2026
Title Limitation of CLIA Certificate

Big Sandy Medical Center, 27D0652518

On August 6, 2026, the laboratory's CLIA certificate, located at 166 Montana Avenue E, Big Sandy, MT 59520 will be **limited for the analyte of AST** due to their failure to meet CLIA requirements.

The laboratory was notified on July 22, 2026.

When a laboratory's CLIA certificate is **limited**, it will not be permitted to perform any testing for the purpose of providing information for the diagnosis, prevention, treatment of any disease or impairment of, or the assessment of the health of human beings, in the testing area where it is limited. The laboratory may continue to perform parallel testing on specimens if needed to implement corrective actions; however, the laboratory may not report any test results during the period of limitation.

CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care.

This action may still be appealable. To verify the certificate status and review the Statement of Deficiencies Report, visit [QCOR](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/quality/clinical-laboratory-improvement-amendments). You may also contact FOIA_request@cms.hhs.gov for additional findings associated with these sanctions. To learn more about the CLIA, please visit <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/quality/clinical-laboratory-improvement-amendments>.