## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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

## Termination Notice – Notice to Public of Suspension, Limitation, Revocation of CLIA Certificate

Date September 13, 2022

Title Notice to the Public of Revocation of Vitas Laboratory LLC's CLIA

Certificate and Cancellation of Approval to Receive Medicare Payments

for its Services

## Notice to Public of Revocation and Cancellation of Approval to Receive Medicare Payment of Vitas Laboratory LLC's CLIA Certificate, 16D2126753

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on August 22, 2022, the Vitas Laboratory LLC 8 W 4<sup>th</sup> St Spencer, Iowa 51301's CLIA certificate was revoked due to its failure to meet CLIA requirements. In addition, the cancellation of its approval to receive Medicare payments for its services became effective August 22, 2022.

The facility has been notified that the CLIA certificate was revoked on August 22, 2022. When a laboratory's CLIA certificate is revoked, it is required to cease all patient laboratory testing, including waived and provider-performed microscopy testing and regardless of whether or not the laboratory charges for the testing. In addition, CLIA regulations prohibit the laboratory's owner, Billy Joe Taylor, from owning, operating, or directing any laboratory for two years from the date of the revocation, or until August 22, 2024. CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care.

The report of findings associated with this revocation action are available through the Kansas City CMS Location Freedom of Information Officer. Please contact (Rose) Gillian Edwards at <a href="mailto:rose.edwards@cms.hhs.gov">rose.edwards@cms.hhs.gov</a> for additional information.

As of August 18, 2017, public notice of revocations, suspension, and limitations will be posted on the Survey & Certification website at <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Termination-Notices.html">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html</a>.

To learn more about the termination process, please visit <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html</a>.