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### **Notice to Public of Suspension and Limitation of CLIA Certificate**

**Date** March 10, 2025  
**Title** Notice to the Public of Suspension and Limitation of Benefis Helena Northeast's CLIA Certificate

### **Notice to Public of Suspension of Approval to Receive Medicare Payment and Limitation of Benefis Helena Northeast's CLIA Certificate, 27D2227819**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on March 10, 2025, Benefis Helena Northeast located at 2960 N. Washington St., Helena, Montana 59602 will have their CLIA certificate limited for the analytes Blood Cell Identification and White Blood Cell (WBC) Differential due to their failure to meet CLIA requirements. In addition, the suspension of its approval to receive Medicare payments for any of its services performed for the analytes Blood Cell Identification and WBC Differential became effective March 10, 2025.

The facility has been notified that the CLIA certificate was limited on March 10, 2025. 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, or treatment of any disease or impairment of, or the assessment of the health of, human beings, in the testing area 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.

The report of findings associated with this suspension and limitation action are available through the CMS Freedom of Information Officer. Please contact [FOIA\\_request@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:FOIA_request@cms.hhs.gov) for additional information.

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

For more information, please visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov). To learn more about the termination process, please visit [www.https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html).