DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Current List of HHS-Certified Laboratories and Instrumented Initial Testing Facilities which Meet Minimum Standards to Engage in Urine and Oral Fluid Drug Testing for Federal Agencies

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) notifies federal agencies of the laboratories and Instrumented Initial Testing Facilities (IITFs) currently certified to meet the standards of the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs using Urine or Oral Fluid (Mandatory Guidelines).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Section 9.19 of the Mandatory Guidelines, a notice listing all currently HHS-certified laboratories and IITFs is published in the Federal Register during the first week of each month. If any laboratory or IITF certification is suspended or revoked, the laboratory or IITF will be omitted from subsequent lists until such time as it is restored to full certification under the Mandatory Guidelines.

If any laboratory or IITF has withdrawn from the HHS National Laboratory Certification Program (NLCP) during the past month, it will be listed at the end and will be omitted from the monthly listing thereafter.

This notice is also available on the Internet at

https://www.samhsa.gov/workplace/resources/drug-testing/certified-lab-list.
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) notifies federal agencies of the laboratories and Instrumented Initial Testing Facilities (IITFs) currently certified to meet the standards of the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs (Mandatory Guidelines) using Urine and of the laboratories currently certified to meet the standards of the Mandatory Guidelines using Oral Fluid.

The Mandatory Guidelines using Urine were first published in the Federal Register on April 11, 1988 (53 FR 11970), and subsequently revised in the Federal Register on June 9, 1994 (59 FR 29908); September 30, 1997 (62 FR 51118); April 13, 2004 (69 FR 19644); November 25, 2008 (73 FR 71858); December 10, 2008 (73 FR 75122); April 30, 2010 (75 FR 22809); and on January 23, 2017 (82 FR 7920).

The Mandatory Guidelines using Oral Fluid were first published in the Federal Register on October 25, 2019 (84 FR 57554) with an effective date of January 1, 2020.

The Mandatory Guidelines were initially developed in accordance with Executive Order 12564 and section 503 of Pub. L. 100-71 and allowed urine drug testing only. The Mandatory Guidelines using Urine have since been revised, and new Mandatory Guidelines allowing for oral fluid drug testing have been published. The Mandatory Guidelines require strict standards that laboratories and IITFs must meet in order to conduct drug and specimen validity tests on specimens for federal agencies. HHS does not allow IITFs to conduct oral fluid testing.

To become certified, an applicant laboratory or IITF must undergo three rounds of performance testing plus an on-site inspection. To maintain that certification, a laboratory or IITF must participate in a quarterly performance testing program plus undergo periodic, on-site inspections.

Laboratories and IITFs in the applicant stage of certification are not to be considered as meeting the minimum requirements described in the HHS Mandatory Guidelines using Urine and/or Oral Fluid. An HHS-certified laboratory or IITF must have its letter of certification from
HHS/SAMHSA (formerly: HHS/NIDA), which attests that the test facility has met minimum standards. HHS does not allow IITFs to conduct oral fluid testing.

**HHS-Certified Laboratories Approved to Conduct Oral Fluid Drug Testing:**

In accordance with the Mandatory Guidelines using Oral Fluid dated October 25, 2019 (84 FR 57554), the following HHS-certified laboratories meet the minimum standards to conduct drug and specimen validity tests on oral fluid specimens:

At this time, there are no laboratories certified to conduct drug and specimen validity tests on oral fluid specimens.

**HHS-Certified Instrumented Initial Testing Facilities Approved to Conduct Urine Drug Testing:**

In accordance with the Mandatory Guidelines using Urine dated January 23, 2017 (82 FR 7920), the following HHS-certified IITFs meet the minimum standards to conduct drug and specimen validity tests on urine specimens:

Dynacare

6628 50th Street NW

Edmonton, AB Canada T6B 2N7

780-784-1190

(Formerly: Gamma-Dynacare Medical Laboratories)

**HHS-Certified Laboratories Approved to Conduct Urine Drug Testing:**

In accordance with the Mandatory Guidelines using Urine dated January 23, 2017 (82 FR 7920), the following HHS-certified laboratories meet the minimum standards to conduct drug and specimen validity tests on urine specimens:

Alere Toxicology Services
1111 Newton St.
Gretna, LA  70053
504-361-8989 / 800-433-3823
(Formerly: Kroll Laboratory Specialists, Inc., Laboratory Specialists, Inc.)

Alere Toxicology Services
450 Southlake Blvd.
Richmond, VA  23236
804-378-9130
(Formerly: Kroll Laboratory Specialists, Inc., Scientific Testing Laboratories, Inc.; Kroll
Scientific Testing Laboratories, Inc.)

Clinical Reference Laboratory, Inc.
8433 Quivira Road
Lenexa, KS  66215-2802
800-445-6917

Cordant Health Solutions
2617 East L Street
Tacoma, WA 98421
800-442-0438
(Formerly: STERLING Reference Laboratories)

Desert Tox, LLC
5425 E Bell Rd, Suite 125
Scottsdale, AZ, 85254
DrugScan, Inc.
200 Precision Road, Suite 200
Horsham, PA  19044
800-235-4890

Dynacare*
245 Pall Mall Street
London, ONT, Canada N6A 1P4
519-679-1630
(Formerly: Gamma-Dynacare Medical Laboratories)

ElSohly Laboratories, Inc.
5 Industrial Park Drive
Oxford, MS  38655
662-236-2609

Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings
7207 N. Gessner Road
Houston, TX  77040
713-856-8288 / 800-800-2387

Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings
69 First Ave.
Raritan, NJ  08869
1225 NE 2nd Ave.
Portland, OR 97232
503-413-5295 / 800-950-5295

MedTox Laboratories, Inc.
402 W. County Road D
St. Paul, MN 55112
651-636-7466 / 800-832-3244

Minneapolis Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Forensic Toxicology Laboratory
1 Veterans Drive
Minneapolis, MN 55417
612-725-2088. Testing for Veterans Affairs (VA) Employees Only

Pacific Toxicology Laboratories
9348 DeSoto Ave.
Chatsworth, CA 91311
800-328-6942
(Formerly: Centinela Hospital Airport Toxicology Laboratory)

Phamatech, Inc.
15175 Innovation Drive
San Diego, CA 92128
888-635-5840
*The Standards Council of Canada (SCC) voted to end its Laboratory Accreditation Program for Substance Abuse (LAPSA) effective May 12, 1998. Laboratories certified through that program were accredited to conduct forensic urine drug testing as required by U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations. As of that date, the certification of those accredited Canadian laboratories will continue under DOT authority. The responsibility for conducting quarterly performance testing plus periodic on-site inspections of those LAPSA-accredited laboratories was transferred to the U.S. HHS, with the HHS’ NLCP contractor continuing to have an active role in the performance testing and laboratory inspection processes. Other Canadian laboratories
wishing to be considered for the NLCP may apply directly to the NLCP contractor just as U.S. laboratories do.

Upon finding a Canadian laboratory to be qualified, HHS will recommend that DOT certify the laboratory (Federal Register, July 16, 1996) as meeting the minimum standards of the Mandatory Guidelines published in the Federal Register on January 23, 2017 (82 FR 7920). After receiving DOT certification, the laboratory will be included in the monthly list of HHS-certified laboratories and participate in the NLCP certification maintenance program.

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