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Dear Laboratory Director:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) granted the Texas Department of State Health Services the authority to issue this letter.

The last CLIA certificate issued by CMS under the number # 45D0660081 **is expired however**, this certificate **will remain effective for 6 Months past the certificate expiration date** or until one of two things occurs:

1. CMS renews your certificate for a two year period and sends you the new certificate, or
2. we administratively extend your certificate again.

Texas Medicaid has agreed to accept this letter until you receive your new certificate. However, once you obtain your new certificate you may need to provide Medicaid with a copy if their regulations require you to do so. This letter may also be acceptable to other entities to which you submit claims.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gabriela Martinez".

Patient Quality Care Houston- CLIA