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**Notice to Public of Revocation of Laboratory Director and Limitation of CLIA Certificate**

**Date** January 16, 2024  
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**Notice to Public of Revocation of Laboratory Director, Lillian Rivera, and Limitation of Laboratorio Clínico Garnier, CLIA Certificate 40D0872956**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on December 12, 2023, Laboratorio Clínico Garnier's (BARRIO GUARAGUAO ABAJO CARR 174, KM 5, HM 7, BAYAMON PR, 00958) laboratory director, Lillian Rivera was barred from directing any laboratory for two years and the laboratory will be prohibited from the analysis of Complete Blood Count (CBC) testing in Hematology for eighteen months for engaging in proficiency testing referral.

The facility has been notified on January 2, 2024, that the laboratory may not directly perform testing on any specimens submitted for laboratory analysis of CBC in Hematology effective December 27, 2023, and the laboratory may only refer CBC specimens for testing. In addition, CLIA regulations prohibit the laboratory's director, Lillian Rivera, from directing any laboratory for two years, or until December 12, 2025. CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care.

The report of findings associated with this case, and action is available through the New York CMS Location Freedom of Information Officer. Please contact [NYRO2FOIA@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:NYRO2FOIA@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).