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Dear Dr. Melaragno:

The College of American Pathologists (CAP) is closely monitoring the coronavirus (COVID-19) situation as it relates to upcoming inspections. We understand that the outbreak is impacting your laboratory operations and our inspector's ability to travel. The health and safety of you and your staff along with that of our inspection teams is of utmost importance to us during this time of uncertainty. As such, we may need to delay CAP inspections beyond your anniversary date.

Cleveland Clinic-Avon Hospital Laboratory, in Avon, OH under the direction of Mark Melaragno, MD is accredited by the CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program. Accreditation is a continual process and a laboratory will **remain accredited** until otherwise notified. Accreditation does not terminate on the reinspection due date of the CAP Accreditation certificate.

The CAP will make every effort to have your inspection completed within the expected inspection window. We will contact you if COVID-19 affects the timeframe for your inspection. If your organization has measures in place that will inhibit an inspection team's access or you have any questions, please call 800-323-4040, option 1.

Sincerely,

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