



# Finding Reliable Clinical Laboratories

In order to process human samples (like blood), **laboratories must be certified** to do so. *The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments* of 1988 (CLIA) regulations include federal standards applicable to all U.S. facilities or sites that test human specimens to diagnose, prevent, or treat disease. The use of **FDA-cleared antibody tests** at a **CLIA-certified laboratory** is recommended for the diagnosis of Lyme disease.

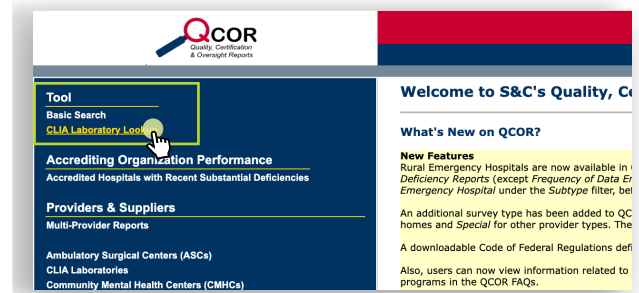
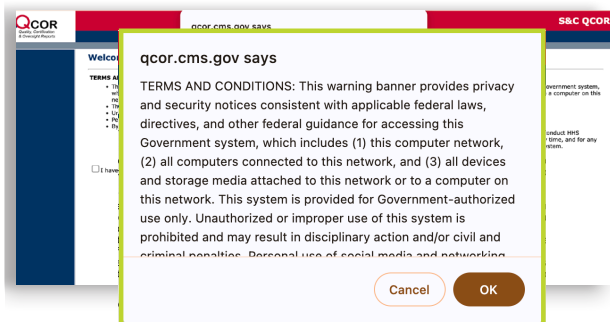
## Finding a Certified Laboratory

To look for a certified laboratory visit <https://qcor.cms.gov/main.jsp> or scan the QR code.



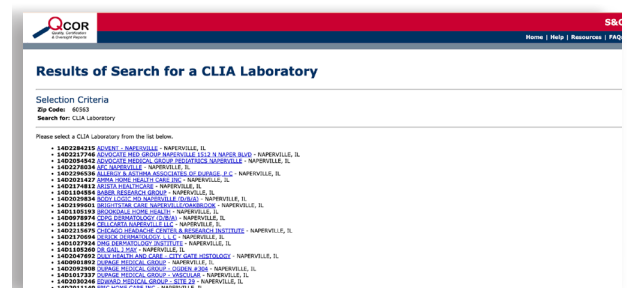
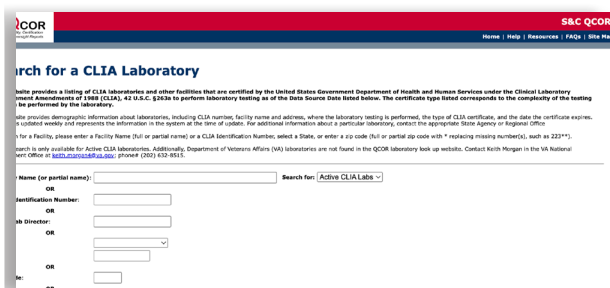
### Follow these steps:

1. First, agree to the **terms on the site.**
2. Click the upper left-hand corner where it says **“CLIA Laboratory Lookup.”**



3. Enter a laboratory name, city, zip code, etc.

4. You will then see a **list of certified laboratories.**



## Finding Information on Tests

If there is a particular laboratory test you have heard about and want more information on, **ask your clinician.** They can help determine whether that test is right for you.

