

CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is technical work within the County Public Health Laboratory involving the performance of standardized tests and procedures primarily on water, blood, urine, and other body fluids. The data is obtained for use in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. A Clinical Laboratory Technologist works under the supervision of the laboratory Director and Laboratory Supervisor for assignments and review of work to ensure compliance with New York State laboratory regulations. Supervision may be exercised over subordinate technical employees of the Laboratory. A Clinical Laboratory Technologist does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- The collection of blood samples from patients;
- Sets up equipment and instruments to be used in conducting laboratory tests;
- Prepares and sterilizes media for microbiology culture;
- Conducts bacteriological and nitrate tests utilizing standard methods on water;
- Performs chemistry, hematology, serology, immunology and microbiology testing on blood, urine and other body fluids;
- Reports out results of above testing to physicians and other health care professionals;
- Monitors and records conditions to insure quality control standards related to the testing are maintained;
- Reviews reports and provides technical assistance to subordinate employees;
- Confers with superiors on progress of work, supply and equipment requirements;
- Prepares records and reports related to the work for statistical and billing procedures;
- May, on occasion clean and sterilize laboratory equipment, including glassware;
- Does billing, filing answers the phone and performs other clerical work as needed.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of current laboratory procedures, terminology, and equipment; ability to independently perform procedures; ability to analyze and interpret data; ability to perform work with care and accuracy; ability to exercise safety precautions in handling equipment and specimens; ability to prepare reports; ability to follow oral and written instructions; initiative; resourcefulness; dependability; good judgement; a willingness to be available to perform work at times other than normal working hours as the occasion may demand; physical condition sufficient to perform the essential functions of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a limited permit or a professional license and current registration, issued by the New York State Education Department, as a Clinical Laboratory Technologist.

CATTARAUGUS COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

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