

## CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** An incumbent in this class is responsible for providing professional laboratory services on patients at the Ulster County Health Department's Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinics. An incumbent shall conduct laboratory services related to STD diseases. These Laboratory Services include but are not limited to, Pregnancy Urine Testing, Chem Strips Urine Testing, Wet Mounts with Potassium Hydroxide, Spun Microscopic to perform microscopic procedure for saline wet mounts, Potassium Hydroxide Testing, Centrifuged Urine Sediment for Microscopic Test Set Up, Phlebotomy and Quality Assurance for Clinical Laboratory Services. The work involves the exercise of independent judgment in providing laboratory services at the STD Clinics. Work is performed under the direct supervision of a Staff Physician with leeway allowed for independent decision and under the general and administrative supervision of a Supervising Public Health Nurse. Supervision is not a responsibility of this class. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** The typical work activities listed below, while providing representative examples of the variety of work assignments in the title, do not describe any individual position. Incumbents in this title may perform some or all of the following, as well as other related activities not described.

Conducts wet mounts using KOH prep on patient's sample at the Ulster County STD Health Clinic;

Conducts microscopic examination of specimens on patients;

Draws (remove-and spins) blood samples;

Performs urine pregnancy tests on patients;

Sets up medical supplies and equipment that are used for patient treatment;

Receives, records, groups, and labels specimens;

Sets up and performs centrifuged urine samples for microscopic testing;

Demonstrates universal safety and infection control standards when performing laboratory services on patients;

Exercises control standards, including but not limited to wearing gloves, changing gloves, wearing a clean lab coat, washing hands frequently and in between patients, using a clean needle for each blood draw and disposing used needles into sharps as required;

Participates and maintains satisfactory ratings in the New York State Department of Health proficiency testing programs relative to this discipline;

May supervise the operation of the lab in the absence of the supervisor, ensuring adequate coverage on the assigned shift;

Keeps abreast of developments of new techniques or improvements in published or existing methods;

Submits records as needed for maintaining patient records to County Nurse Coordinator;

Maintains laboratory equipment and provide quality assurance;

Attends workshops, conferences and meetings.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND CHARACTERISTICS:** Thorough knowledge of the theory, practice and application necessary to demonstrate proficiency in clinical laboratory technique and safety protocol; good knowledge of the operation of a variety of medical equipment; good knowledge of medical terminology; familiarity with the biological and social sciences supportive of clinical laboratory technologist; ability to perform laboratory services; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; initiative; resourcefulness; professional judgment; integrity; thoroughness; good physical condition.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Licensed as a Clinical Laboratory Technologist by the New York State Education Department.

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