Medical Laboratory Technologist

Medical Laboratory Technologist is responsible for performing duties involving high complexity immunological and molecular testing, microscopy, and specimen preparation in accordance with the highest standards of CLIA laboratory practices. We are seeking an individual with strong initiative, excellent technical skills and experience, and the ability to deal with customers in a kind and efficient manner. Position reports to Laboratory Supervisor.

Proposed Start Date: 04/01/2017

Responsibilities

- Perform a variety of laboratory procedures utilizing microbiological, molecular and microscopy techniques, including DNA extraction and real-time polymerase chain reaction (PCR).
- Apply knowledge of advanced molecular techniques and microbiological procedures to appropriately interpret and report the findings of the assays. Report test results to appropriate individuals using established procedures. Ensure reports and critical results are reported and documented in a timely and professional manner to all involved parties.
- Perform quality control and quality assurance procedures including, but not limited to, routine equipment maintenance and calibration as well as documentation of quality control and quality assurance activities as needed. Ensure that reagents, supplies, and equipment are adequately maintained. Keep work surfaces clean and orderly.
- Identify and accession incoming patient samples and process samples for testing. Prepare results reports for delivery to ordering physician/veterinarian. Ensure that incoming specimens are recorded, processed, and triaged appropriately while maintaining "chain-of-custody."
- Provide outstanding, personalized customer service by responding, resolving, and following up promptly on customer issues.
- Experience with BSL-2 and enhanced BSL-2 laboratory procedures, and working in a biological safety cabinet.
- Develop and maintain work relationships through effective and timely communication. Serve as technical resource by participating in staff training in order to answer questions of other professionals. Participate in educational opportunities. Read professional publications. Maintain personal networks. Participate in professional organizations.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- ASCP certified MT, MLT with minimum two (2) years’ experience working in a clinical laboratory setting OR 4 year college degree in clinical laboratory science (CLS), microbiology, biology, or related field with minimum two (2) years’ experience working in a clinical laboratory setting.
- Excellent aseptic technique, flexibility, and ability to multi-task at an advanced level. Excellent troubleshooting skills essential. Clear vision required for microscopy testing and data analysis.
- Experience with cell culture, immunological testing such as indirect immunofluorescence assays (IFA), ELISA/EIA, and/or Western Blot preferred.
- Experience in molecular techniques such as nucleic acid extraction, real time PCR, and Sanger sequencing.
- Strong computer skills needed to ensure accurate results are entered in respective LIMS databases; strong math skills and attention to detail required to ensure calculations are confirmed for all results reported in the medical records.
- Excellent interpersonal and organizational skills; initiative to seek out new procedures to ensure top quality of service and efficient operations.

Wages

- Salary range: $35,000 – 45,000 annualized
- Salary commensurate with experience

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Galaxy Diagnostics is an equal opportunity employer and offers a fantastic learning environment for individuals interested in the mechanics and growth process of new life science ventures. We are an early-stage emerging infectious disease testing company, specializing in the detection of zoonotic, vector-borne bacteria implicated in difficult-to-diagnose human and animal
disease. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, color, disability, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, race, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or status as a protected veteran.