

CLASS TITLE:

PATHOLOGIST

Class Code: 02933200

Pay Grade: 43A

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CLASS DEFINITION:

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: To perform specialized medical duties in the field of anatomical, surgical and clinical pathology in a state general pathological laboratory; and to do related work as required.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Works under the direction of a superior; assignments are merely outlined to the incumbent with a wide latitude given for exercising independent judgement; work is reviewed through conferences and reports for conformance to standard pathological procedure.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED: May assist in planning, organizing, directing and supervising the work of subordinates engaged in medical laboratory work reviewing the work in process and upon completion.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED:

To perform professional medical pathological studies of a specialized nature involving the performance of anatomical, surgical and clinical pathological studies in accordance with standard professional procedures.

To participate in and to carry out research projects of a medical or socio-medical nature.

To assist in providing professional pathological supervision over a clinical medical laboratory, assisting in the planning, organization, direction and training of a clinical laboratory staff.

To assist in and to perform post-mortem examinations.

To perform and to supervise the performance of a variety of laboratory tests in the fields of bacteriology, serology, hematology, chemistry, general pathology and neuropathology.

To prepare reports of post-mortem examinations for the families of the deceased.

To perform autopsies and prepare detailed pathological reports thereon.

To prepare histopathological examinations of necropsy and surgical specimens.

To assist a superior in conducting a continuing program of research and evaluations of laboratory techniques, diagnostic methods and procedures to improve the efficiency of the clinical laboratory procedures.

To assist a superior in conducting an in-service training program for the staff of the laboratory.

To lecture in laboratory techniques to the medical staff, student nurses, student bacteriologists, student laboratory technicians and to the clinical laboratory staff.

To assist in providing the resident and visiting medical staff with pathological reports for diagnostic purposes.

To give medical treatments as required.

To do related work as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT:

KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND CAPACITIES: A thorough knowledge of the medical science and its application; a thorough knowledge of clinical, surgical, and anatomical pathology. The ability to conduct research in diagnostic pathology; the ability to lecture in medical laboratory subjects; the ability to write clinical pathological reports of post-mortems or autopsies; the ability to train and supervise a clinical laboratory staff; and related capacities and abilities.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Education: Such as may have been gained through: graduation from a medical school of recognized standing; and

Experience: Such as may have been gained through: completion of an internship in an approved hospital and completion of residency in Pathology in an approved hospital; and employment as a staff physician in an approved hospital or institution.

Or, any combination of education and experience that shall be substantially equivalent to the above education and experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Must meet the requirements of the Rhode Island Department of Health to practice Medicine in Rhode Island and be board eligible for certification by the American Board of Pathology and must maintain the aforementioned requirements and certification as a condition of employment.

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