Quest Diagnostics

Irving, Texas

**Histotechnician II**

Full-time, Night Shift, Monday-Friday, 12am-8:30am and Monday-Friday, 2am-10:30am

Part-Time, Day Shift PRN as Needed

The position is intended for individuals with prior experience working as a histotechnician to perform technical functions within the histopathology laboratory.  The individual will work under the general supervision of experienced histotechnologists.

* Under general supervision and according to policies and procedures, performs routine and non-routine activities involved in the preparation of slides, for microscopic evaluation by pathologist(s)
* Capable of performing all of the duties/responsibilities of a Histotechnician I.
* Prepare solutions and reagents for special stain procedures.
* Perform special stain procedures.
* Perform limited QA/QC functions and identify issues requiring troubleshooting.
* Train and perform limited immunohistochemistry staining under the general supervision of a qualified histotechnologist, technical supervisor or other qualified pathologist.
* Prepare immunohistochemistry solutions and reagents for IHC procedures under the direct supervision of a qualified histotechnologist, technical supervisor or other qualified pathologist.
* Perform specimen preparation on non-gynecological specimens, including cytopreparation, staining, coverslipping, etc. after completing training on non-gynecological specimen types.  This includes specimen preparation of Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA) specimens
* Perform routine maintenance and cleaning of equipment and troubleshoot minor equipment failures.  Document remedial actions such as repairs and repeated tests.
* Adhere to laboratory’s quality control policies, and document all quality control activities.
* Ensure all corporate safety, quality control and quality assurance standards are met.
* Ensure compliance with all local, federal, CLIA and CAP regulations.
* Maintain a clean and well-organized work area.
* Other duties, as assigned by supervisor.

QUALIFICATIONS

**Required Work Experience:**

* A.S. degree and one year of experience within the last 10 years, OR H.S. education or
* equivalent and 5 year’s full-time acceptable experience as a Histotechnician within the last 10 years.
* ASCP eligible OR five years of full-time experience in the last 10 years
* Current state licensure, if applicable
* Meets all requirements as outlined in corporate Policy for Minimum Qualifications for Histotechnician and Histology Supervisor.
* If performing Immunohistochemistry testing, meet all requirements as outlined in corporate Minimum Qualifications for Personnel Performing Immunohistochemistry Testing SOP.

**Preferred Work Experience:**

* HT (ASCP)
* Graduate of a NAACLS accredited Histotechnology program
* 2 years of histopathology experience

**Physical and Mental Requirements:**

* The normal performance of duties may require lifting and carrying objects: Objects 1 to 10 pounds are lifted and carried frequently; objects 11 to 25 pounds are lifted and carried occasionally; objects 36 to 50 pounds are seldom lifted or carried and objects over 50 pounds are not to be lifted or carried without assistance.
* Ability to stand and work at the bench for long periods of time.
* Frequent walking and/or standing.
* May be required to use a wide variety of manual tools and laboratory instruments and apparatuses all of which demand significant manual dexterity

EDUCATION
Associates Degree
Bachelor’s Degree
High School Diploma or Equivalent

LICENSECERTIFICATIONS
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