VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health has a career opportunity for qualified candidates for the following position:

Title			Salary
Prinicipal Medical Technologist [Classified Competitive]			**R24 $66,479.39 - $94,376.42**
Posting Number	Position Number	Number of Positions	Posting Period *
138-23	**009592, 952466, 009532**	**3**	From: **02/27/2023** To: **03/13/2023**
Location:			Scope of Eligibility/Open to:
Public Health Environmental Laboratory- NewBorn Screening 3 Schwarzkopf Dr, Ewing, NJ			**Department of Health Employees**

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Under limited supervision in the Newborn Screening (NBS) Laboratory, this position functions as the unit supervisor to assign, instruct and supervise technical personnel in one of the following three testing units: Hemoglobinopathy Screening, Tandem Mass Spectrometry for amino acids and acylcarnitines, or Lysosomal Storage Disorders Screening. The successful candidate will be responsible for evaluating the performance of technical personnel and wil have the responsibility of effectively recommending the hiring, firing, promoting, demoting and/or disciplining of employees.

This position will plan, organize, and coordinate the daily operational functions of one of the three indicated units, including assign, oversee, instruct and assist staff to process, analyze and evaluate newborn specimens in an accurate and timely manner using complex methods, including isoelectric focusing gels and high performance liquid chromatography for hemoglobinopathy screening and tandem mass spectrometry for amino acid, acylcarnitine, and lysosomal storage disorders, for screening of biochemical and genetic disorders.

This position will provide technical training of laboratory personnel in method performance and assay troubleshooting procedures. It will instruct and support staff performing advanced instrument routine maintenance, troubleshoot issues, and assist staff as issues arise. Interact with instrument and reagent vendors for routine and emergency service needs and maintain reagent inventory.

This position will review quality control results for compliance with established criteria and assist in the determination and re-evaluation of the QC necessary to ensure quality results. It will prepare reports on disorders including findings, conclusions, and recommendations, including the ensuring the correct coding of patient results. This position will participate in the analysis of various required proficiency test challenges from regulatory agencies. Additionally, this position will review and provide recommendations for the revision of standard operating procedure manuals.

This position will keep current on new technology and advances in Newborn Screening, investigate and evaluate new methods and techniques, and provide assistance on recommendations of procedural changes that are required. Participate in the validation of these new methodologies

Establish and maintain cooperative work relationship between other units of Newborn Screening Program and provide assistance to other NBS units to ensure completion of essential procedures.

The NBS Program, which screens all of New Jersey's newborns for 60 biochemical and genetics disorders, operates Monday-Saturday, due to the time sensitive nature of the medical intervention required to avoid potentially catastrophic health consequences. Therefore, this position will require working on Saturdays and holidays, on a rotating schedule.

REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's in Medical Technology; or Certification as a Medical Technologist by a certifying agency approved by the National Commission for Health Certifying Agencies; or possession of the qualifications of a Medical Technologist as required under Federal Medicare Regulations Subpart M Part 405:1315, Chapter 3, Title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations for coverage of services of independent laboratories or under New Jersey State Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 8:44-1.6.

EXPERIENCE: Three (3) years of comprehensive, bio-analytical laboratory experience in a certified private, public health or hospital clinical laboratory which shall have included work in one or more of the following area: hematology, immunohematology, urinalysis, clinical chemistry, serology, bacteriology, and parasitology.

NOTE: A Master's degree in medical technology or a related field may be substituted for one year of the experience indicated above.

LICENSE: Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform essential duties of the position.

IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS

If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:

- Forward the required documents electronically to:
  PSTLABS@doh.nj.gov
- Mail the required documents to:
  Chova Joyner, Administrative Assistant 1
  Public Health and Environmental Laboratories
  Reference Posting #138-23
  New Jersey Department of Health
  PO Box 361
  Trenton, NJ 08625-0361

Required documents:

- cover letter
- resume
- completed application, found at: http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf

** Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.*

- *Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.*
- *If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and /or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.*
- *If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.*
- *In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.*
- *In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.*
- ***The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.***
- *RESUME NOTE: Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.*