

Job Description

Job Title

Forensic Toxicologist

Job ID 9942

Date Opened 03/30/2020

Date Closed 04/03/2020

Location 401 E Street, SW

Full/Part Time

Full-Time

Type of Appointment

Career Service - Reg Appt

Regular/Temporary

Regular

Agency

FX

Office of the Chief Medical Ex

Area of Consideration

Open to Public

Grade

11

Bargaining Unit

Non Union - Chapter 11

CH11

Minimum Range

Maximum Range

\$61,521.000000

\$79,314.000000

Available Openings

Target Openings

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General Job Information

Job Summary

This position is located in the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and is responsible for supporting the quality control program and performing toxicological analyses. In addition, this position assists with the breath alcohol program when necessary. The incumbent performs screening and confirmatory tests for alcohol, drugs and other substances; participates in research projects; assists in the general operation of the forensic toxicology laboratory; and performs other related duties as required.

Duties and Responsibilities

The Forensic Toxicologist supports the quality control program by assisting in manufacturing and validating controls, tracking quality control data, and updating standard operating procedures. Supports the quality control program by assisting in tracking pipettes, performing in-house pipette calibrations, and monitoring overall laboratory safety practices. Assists with breath alcohol program (when needed). Performs a limited range of toxicological examinations for drugs and alcohol including commonly used illegal, prescription and non-prescription drugs and other selected poisonous substances.

The incumbent performs complete and definitive toxicological analysis of body tissues and fluids to determine the existence of substances that cause toxicity or changes in human performance. Performs complete toxicological examinations on forensic postmortem cases, driving-under-the-influence (DUI) cases and drug-facilitate-sexual-assault (DFSA) cases. Maintains equipment and instruments and assures integrity of data by servicing and calibrating equipment and instruments and performing quality control testing. Accessions samples, completes forms to report test results and ensures compliance with chain of evidence and specimen storage procedures.

Qualifications and Education

A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited institution in toxicology or an appropriate discipline of the biological, medical, or veterinary sciences that included at least 30 semester hours in chemistry, biochemistry, or physiology, and 12 semester hours in toxicology and One (1) year of specialized experience equivalent to the CS-9 grade level. Specialized experience is experience which is directly related to the position which has equipped the individual with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position

Licensure and Certifications

None

Working Conditions/Environment

The work is performed in a laboratory setting.

Other Significant Facts

Tour of Duty: 8:15 a.m. -4:45 p.m.

Type of Appointment: Career Service – Regular Appointment

Pay Plan, Series and Grade: CS-415-11

Salary Range: \$61,521.00 - \$79,314.00; based on available funding

Promotion Potential: No known promotion potential

Collective Bargaining Unit: This position is not in the collective bargaining unit

Area of Consideration: Open to the Public

Position Designation: This position has been designated as security-sensitive therefore the incumbent of this position will be subject to enhanced suitability screening pursuant to Chapter 4 of DC Personnel Regulations, Suitability and as such, incumbents of this position shall be subject to criminal background checks, background investigations, and mandatory drug and alcohol testing, as applicable.

Residency Requirement: If the position you are applying for is in the Career, Management Supervisory, or Educational Service at an annual salary of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) or more, you must establish residency in the District of Columbia within one hundred eighty (180) days of the effective date of the appointment and continue to maintain residency within the District of Columbia throughout the duration of the appointment.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: The District of Columbia Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer: all qualified candidates will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, genetic information, disability. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination, which is also prohibited. In addition, harassment based on any of the above-protected categories is prohibited.

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