



FORENSIC LABORATORY SPECIALIST II

Toxicology Section

Position # CF211

Salary: \$29,772 - \$42,000

Location: Roanoke, VA

This is a grant funded position. The Grant Funding is approved through September 30, 2023.

The Department of Forensic Science is seeking a qualified applicant to assist the Toxicology section of the Western Regional Laboratory. Duties of the position include: administrative support to include scanning, copying, and filing data; routine laboratory maintenance such as cleaning glassware, waste disposal, and changing compressed gas cylinders; preparation of reagents; transfer of evidence, maintaining a secure and intact chain of custody; and assistance typing and distributing Certificates of Analysis to agency customers. This position will also include training to perform evidence receiving and handling, alcohol analysis using headspace gas chromatography, drug screening using ELISA immunoassay, and carboxyhemoglobin saturation determination using uv-vis spectrophotometry.

Required qualifications:

- High school diploma or equivalent with courses in math and science and college-level courses in chemistry, biochemistry, or other closely related scientific area
- Experience preparing solutions and reagents for use in a laboratory setting
- Familiarity with a scientific laboratory environment, including standard laboratory equipment and safety procedures
- Proficiency in MS Office Suite programs
- Valid driver's license or other means of reliable transportation

Preferred qualifications:

- BS degree in chemistry, biochemistry or other closely related scientific field with sufficient chemistry courses
- Experience working in a laboratory environment operating and maintaining laboratory instrumentation
- Experience performing and documenting QA procedures
- Experience handling biological fluids in a forensic or clinical toxicology laboratory
- Experience using laboratory information management software

Background Investigation:

Selected candidate(s) must successfully pass a background investigation to include a fingerprint-based criminal history check. Selected candidate(s) must provide a DNA sample via a buccal swab (saliva sample) and successfully pass a drug test. Reference checks will be conducted to include contact with current/previous supervisors.

Employment Eligibility Verification:

DFS will record information from each new employee's Form I-9 (Employment Eligibility Verification) into the Federal E-Verify system to confirm identity and work authorization.

Disabilities:

In support of the Commonwealth's commitment to inclusion, we are encouraging individuals with disabilities to apply through the Commonwealth Alternative Hiring Process. To be considered for this opportunity, applicants will need to provide their Certificate of Disability (COD) provided by a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor within the Department for Aging & Rehabilitative Services (DARS). Veterans are encouraged to answer Veteran status questions and submit their disability documentation, if applicable, to DARS to get their Certificate of Disability. If you need to get a Certificate of Disability, use this link: <https://www.vadars.org/drs/cpid/PWContact.aspx>, or call DARS at 800-552-5019.

Applicants must apply electronically using the Commonwealth of Virginia's Recruitment Management System (RMS) by August 1, 2022. The RMS can be accessed using the link: <https://virginiajobs.peopleadmin.com>. Contact Markeisha Lewis at (804)588-4008 for assistance.

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