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Medical Laboratory Scientist

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SUMMARY

ASCP-certified Medical Laboratory Scientist with 5 years in hospital and reference lab settings, working across chemistry, hematology and blood bank. Processes 150+ specimens a shift on Roche and Sysmex analyzers with a critical value call rate of 100% within protocol. Trained 6 new hires on LIS workflows and QC procedures.

EXPERIENCE

Medical Laboratory Scientist II — Red Fork Community Hospital

Tulsa, OK · May 2022 – Present

- Run chemistry, hematology and coagulation panels on Roche cobas and Sysmex XN analyzers for 150+ specimens a shift, maintaining average chemistry turnaround under 45 minutes.
- Called 98 critical values to nursing units over the past year within the 15-minute protocol window, with zero missed notifications on QA review.
- Caught a reagent lot defect that was skewing 12 potassium results before release, flagged it to the supervisor and prevented incorrect result reporting.
- Trained 6 new MLS hires and 4 phlebotomy staff on LIS specimen workflows, cutting mislabeled-specimen rejects from 8 to 2 a month.

Medical Laboratory Scientist — Prairie Diagnostics Reference Lab

Oklahoma City, OK · Jul 2019 – Apr 2022

- Performed chemistry and immunoassay testing on 300+ specimens a day across 2 Beckman Coulter analyzers, meeting same-day turnaround for 95% of routine orders.
- Ran daily and monthly QC on 18 analytes, investigating and documenting 4 out-of-range Westgard rule violations a quarter.
- Validated a new reagent lot for a thyroid panel against 40 parallel patient samples before go-live, catching a calibration drift the vendor later confirmed.

SKILLS

Testing areas: Clinical chemistry, hematology, coagulation, immunoassay, basic microbiology, blood bank

Instruments: Roche cobas, Sysmex XN, Beckman Coulter AU/DxI, Abbott Architect

Quality: Westgard rules, CLIA/CAP compliance, proficiency testing, LIS (Cerner, Epic Beaker)

Procedures: Specimen processing, critical value reporting, delta checks, reagent/method validation

CERTIFICATIONS

ASCP MLS(ASCP) Certification

BLS Certification

EDUCATION

B.S. Medical Laboratory Science, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, 2019

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