



# DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

<b>Division: GULF COAST</b>
<b>Classification: CERTIFIED HISTOLOGY TECHNICIAN / CERTIFIED HISTOTECHNICIAN</b>
<b>Applicant Name:</b>
<p><b>Certified Histology Technician/ Certified Histotechnician:</b> The Certified Histology Technician must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility, as defined by facility job description.</p>
<p><b>Definition of Care or Service:</b> The Certified Histology Technician is a clinical laboratory technician who prepares very thin samples of body tissue to be examined under a microscope by a pathologist. Scope of service may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equipment preparation, weighing of chemicals, preparing media and buffer solutions, cleaning equipment.</li> <li>• Responsible for the preparation, sterilization and dispensing of cell culture media, and purification buffers</li> <li>• Documentation and other duties involved in the operation of process development laboratories.</li> <li>• Completes media and buffer batch records, maintains laboratory equipment, and monitors supplies.</li> <li>• Analyze and interpret results</li> <li>• Make cultures of body fluid and tissue samples.</li> <li>• A-Check test results repeatedly for accuracy.</li> <li>• Analyze samples to detect chemical reactions.</li> <li>• Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA Healthcare conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Setting(s):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospitals, Surgery Centers, Laboratory Centers</li> </ul>
<p><b>Supervision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct supervision by a Pathologist who holds clinical privileges at the facility. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Indirect supervision by a department director or designee.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluator:</b> Supervising physician, medical staff member in conjunction with the department director or designee</p> <p><b>Tier Level:</b> 3</p> <p><b>eSAF Access Required:</b> YES</p>
<p><b>Qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associates degree or higher <b>or</b></li> <li>• Complete a Histotechnician program accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)</li> <li>• Certified as a Histotechnician through the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP)</li> </ul> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">NOTE: Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.</p>
<p><b>State Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>



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<p><b>Experience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Competencies:</b></p> <p>The Certified Histology Technician will demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data collection according to Hospital policy as it relates to; distinguishing significant from insignificant findings and acts upon data (i.e. critical values, questionable results, dilutions, calculations and repeat tests).</li> <li>• Requires technical science knowledge and training on how to handle diagnostic laboratory equipment.</li> <li>• Verifies test ordering practices and eliminates unnecessary duplication. Performs instrument function verification, documents equipment function, performs QC and protocols and maintenance as required.</li> <li>• Prepares cell culture media, and purification buffers</li> <li>• Performs procedures for frozen sections, embedding with correct orientation of tissue, cutting for specific protocols and correct staining to ensure the integrity of the specimen.</li> <li>• Infection Prevention             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Practices consistent hand hygiene</li> <li>○ Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)</li> <li>○ Required immunizations per Division requirements</li> <li>○ Complies with Isolation precautions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>References:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How Can I Become a Histologic Technician? <a href="https://learn.org/articles/How_Can_I_Become_a_Histologic_Technician_or_Histotechnologist.html">https://learn.org/articles/How_Can_I_Become_a_Histologic_Technician_or_Histotechnologist.html</a></li> <li>• ASCP <a href="https://www.ascp.org/content/board-of-certification/verify-credentials">https://www.ascp.org/content/board-of-certification/verify-credentials</a></li> </ul>

Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.

<b>Applicant Printed Name:</b>	
<b>Signature:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	