#### TRAINING UPDATE

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SGMC & WAH Technical staff 

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## **DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE**

# Name of procedure:

# Technical Career Ladder SGAH.L967 v0

This is a new system SOP to replace the previous BB & Core career ladder

# Request for Promotion via the Technical Career Ladder AG.F389.0

## **Description of change(s):**

This new SOP describes the process for advancement for technical staff.

Form AG.F389 is a new request for promotion form (old forms have been retired)

**Note**: all technical job descriptions have been revised to match the career ladder and converted into the new Quest format. A new one has been written for MT II Trainer

This revised SOP and form were implemented on July 17, 2017

Document your compliance with this training update by taking the quiz in the MTS system.

# Non-Technical SOP

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#### 1. PURPOSE

To define a structured job classification process for Medical Technologist employees that will:

- Outline accountabilities and role expectations associated with jobs at different organizational levels within the technical laboratory.
- Provide career paths for individuals to advance.

#### 2. SCOPE

This procedure applies to medical laboratory technician (MLT) and medical technologist (MT) staff members wishing to progress their careers in the technical areas of the laboratory.

#### 3. RESPONSIBILITY

All technical staff members should understand the steps required for career progression.

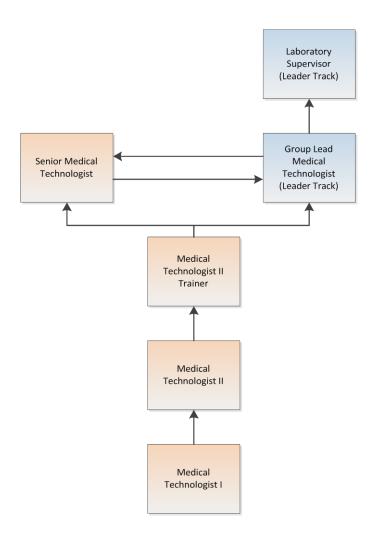
#### 4. **DEFINITIONS**

<u>Career Ladder</u>: A process designed to formally progress an employee to a higher level of job responsibility within his/her current position. The employee and supervisor / manager work together to progressively advance the employee to the higher level of responsibility. Benefits of a career ladder:

- Employees can develop new skills and competencies in their current jobs.
- Employees can advance to a higher level of responsibility
- Employees can demonstrate initiative and willingness to work to further departmental and corporate goals.
- The employer can retain valued employees who are motivated to advance their careers.
- The employer can attract high quality employees and provide the employees an opportunity to advance within their positions.
- The employer can develop well-trained employees who have high morale.
- The employer can provide a higher level of quality and service to clients.

<u>Technical Career Path</u>: The normal growth of an employee within the organization.

## **Technical Career Path**



## 5. PROCEDURE

A. Position Titles, Requirements and Grade

Position	Requirements
Medical Technologist I  Grade: T12  Job Code: 101369	<ul> <li>Staff members beginning employment as a medical technologist.</li> <li>Minimum qualifications apply.</li> </ul>
Medical Technologist II  Grade: T13  Job Code: 101370	Staff members who have completed training and demonstrate competency in two areas of the laboratory (blood bank, blood bank neonatal products, chemistry, coagulation, GEC, hematology, microbiology, or urinalysis)

Position	Requirements		
Medical Technologist II	Staff members who are trained in at least two areas of the		
Trainer	laboratory and demonstrate the following characteristics.		
C 1 T12	Knowledgeable of departmental policies and		
Grade: T13	procedures		
Job Code: 101370 (b)	o Follows policies and procedures as written		
	Clearly explains tasks and procedures      Procks down complex ideas to explain them.		
	<ul> <li>Breaks down complex ideas to explain them thoroughly</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Coaches, critiques, and mentors staff members</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Listens attentively and actively</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Sensitive to non-verbal cues</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Maintains open lines of communication upward</li> </ul>		
	and downward		
	o Organized		
	o Creates a supportive environment		
	Manages time effectively		
	o Balances multiple responsibilities		
	<ul> <li>Patient, flexible, empathetic, nurturing</li> </ul>		
Senior Medical Technologist Grade: T14 Job Code: 101389	Staff members who serve as a subject matter expert in at least two areas of the laboratory.  Staff members must assume responsibility for at least one recurring project within the department as assigned by the supervisor/manager.  Must demonstrate the following characteristics.    Leadership skills in problem solving.  Ability to develop and implement a quality management system.  Mentor for other staff members  Participant in organization-wide activities, committees, and process improvement projects  Involved in the development of new techniques/procedures  Develops, reviews, and validates departmental procedures  Must maintain current ASCP certification or equivalent.  Must have a minimum of 2 years of experience in a high complexity laboratory  Must be recommended for this position by a Laboratory Supervisor/Manager and approved by the Laboratory  Manager or Director.		

Position	Requirements		
Group Lead Medical Technologist  Grade: T14 Job Code: 101371	<ul> <li>Staff members who serve as people leaders in the department.</li> <li>Demonstrate proficiency in all areas of blood bank or core laboratory.</li> <li>Must demonstrate the following characteristics:         <ul> <li>Provides work direction on a daily basis</li> <li>Leadership skills in problem solving and conflict resolution</li> <li>Provides feedback to the supervisor regarding performance management and staff performance reviews</li> <li>Provides input in the hiring process</li> <li>Performs supervisory functions in the absence of a supervisor</li> <li>Mentors other staff members</li> <li>Trains and assesses competency for other staff members</li> <li>Must maintain current ASCP certification or equivalent.</li> <li>Must have 2 years of experience in a high complexity laboratory</li> <li>Must be recommended for this position by a Laboratory Supervisor/Manager and approved by the Laboratory Manager or Director.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

**B.** Requirements for Reclassification

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Step	Action				
1	Any employee wishing to advance via the career ladder, must meet the				
	following conditions:				
	A. No disciplinary action for the 12 months preceding promotion				
	B. A score of "meets expectations" or better on the previous evaluation (if evaluation exists)				
	C. Confirmation of training and competency				
	D. Demonstrates requirements of position as listed above				
	In addition, those employees being promoted into a senior or group lead				
	medical technologist position must meet the following conditions:				
	E. Confirmation of ASCP certification or equivalent				
	F. Confirmation of high complexity testing experience				
	G. Recommendation or approval from supervisor				

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Step	Action		
2	The employee must complete part I of the request for promotion form and submit the form to the supervisor to be considered for promotion.  Note: Supervisor recommendation is required for promotion to positions of Senior or Group Lead Medical Technologist. An employee cannot request promotion to these positions prior to obtaining recommendation from the supervisor.		
3	The supervisor will verify whether the employee meets requirements of the new position by completing part II of the request for promotion form within 30 days.  A. If the promotion request is denied, the supervisor will notify the employee. The supervisor will document the reason for denial on the form. The supervisor will identify actions the employee needs to take to meet the requirement of promotion in the future.  B. If the promotion request is approved, the supervisor will generate a status change form to promote the employee and generate a pay raise. Lab manager/director approval is required.  a. If the employee's current rate of pay is below midpoint, he/she will receive a 10% increase.  b. If the employee's current rate of pay is at or above midpoint, he/she will receive a 5% increase.  c. Retroactive pay increases will not be given.  The supervisor will notify the employee that the request was approved and the effective date of the pay increase.		
4	The completed promotion request form will be placed in the employee's personnel file.		
5	The supervisor will ensure a promoted employee signs his/her new job description. A copy of the signed job description will be forwarded to the HRSC. The original signed copy of the job description will be maintained in the employee's personnel file.		

# C. Demotion Via the Career Ladder

Step	Action			
1	An employee may be demoted via the career ladder at any point where he/she			
	no longer meets the requirements of the job. This may be done at the request			
	of the employee, due to a change of status (decrease of hours from fulltime to			
	part-time), or at the request of a supervisor based on performance.			

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2	Demotion will include a pay decrease of 5% for EACH step of the career ladder the employee regresses. For example, if an employee goes from senior medical technologist to medical technologist II, that employee will receive a 5% decrease for the first step and a 5% decrease for the second step. If an employee is demoted within 6 months of promotion, he/she will return to the pre-promotion pay rate.

# 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Form: Request for Promotion via the Technical Career Ladder (AG.F389)

## 7. REFERENCES

N/A

## 8. REVISION HISTORY

Version	Date	Reason for Revision	Revised By	Approved By

## 9. ADDENDA AND APPENDICES

None



# **Request for Promotion via the Technical Career Ladder**

Part I: To be completed by the employee	
Employee Name:	Employee ID:
Promotion (check one):	
Signature:	Date:
Part II: To be completed by the supervisor	
<ol> <li>Disciplinary action for preceding 12 months         <ul> <li>None</li> <li>List:</li> </ul> </li> <li>Last performance evaluation score:         <ul> <li>Training and competency documents on file for the following departments:</li></ul></li></ol>	
Supervisor Signature:	
Pay Raise Evaluation: Current pay rate:	Pay range for current position:
New pay rate:	Recommended pay raise:  5% or 10%
Supervisor Signature:	Date:
Lab Manager/Director Signature:	Date:

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