MORGUE TECHNICIAN

Nature of Work
Under direct supervision of the medical examiner, performs work at the full-performance level by assisting in post-mortem examinations. Completes necessary prior paperwork. Conducts body search for evidence and personal effects. Maintains equipment, instruments, work area and supplies. May assist in basic investigational procedures. Performs related work as required.

Examples of Work
Assists in the performance of post-mortem exams at the discretion of the medical examiner according to the requirements of individual cases, which may include obtaining toxicological samples, taking and developing X-rays, and dissection of internal organs. Prepares body for transportation to the funeral home, including cleaning body and suturing of incisions. Disposes of internal organs by incineration.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities
Knowledge of regular autopsy techniques and instruments and X-ray equipment and procedures.
Knowledge of basic anatomy.
Knowledge of basic inventory and record keeping procedures.
Ability to perform basic laboratory procedures.

Minimum Qualifications
TRAINING Graduation from a standard four year high school or the equivalent.
EXPERIENCE One year of medical or other technically related experience, such as physical care and support to patients, basic laboratory work, clinical work in a veterinary office, or other setting.
SUBSTITUTION Any combination of experience as described above or successful completion of college course work from a regionally accredited college or university towards a major in chemistry, physics, biology, natural science, nursing, or archaeology on a year-for-year basis OR related vocational training in a medical field may be used for the required experience.