Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences Forensic Laboratories

100 Elizabeth Blackwell Street Syracuse, New York 13210



Director of Laboratories

The Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences, a division of the Onondaga County Health Department, is seeking to fill the Director of Laboratories position. The Center for Forensic Sciences Forensic Laboratories is a full-service accredited forensic laboratory outfitted with state of the art equipment and technology. The Forensic Laboratories provides forensic analysis and expert scientific testimony in support of criminal investigations and prosecutions within Onondaga County. The laboratories accept evidence from 17 police agencies within Onondaga County, the Onondaga County Medical Examiner's Office and from various state and federal agencies. The Forensic Laboratories provide forensic analysis in the disciplines of Digital Evidence, Firearms, Forensic Biology/DNA, Forensic Chemistry, and Latent Prints with 28 scientists and technicians working in various disciplines within the sections. The Forensic Laboratories maintain accreditation by the ANAB (ANSI National Accreditation Board) to the ANAB 17025:2017 Forensic Science Testing Laboratory Accreditation Requirements and by the New York State Commission on Forensic Science.

Onondaga County with a population of approximately 461,845 individuals is located in the heart of the Finger Lakes region in upstate NY. The laboratory is located in the city of Syracuse, within a five-hour drive from New York City, Boston, Philadelphia, Toronto and Montreal. Onondaga County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Job Duties:

The work involves responsibility for directing the overall operations of the Forensic Laboratories for Onondaga County. An employee in this class is responsible for ensuring that analytical, comparative, and related interpretive services are provided to user agencies in a timely, accurate, and meaningful fashion in order to assist with criminal and medico legal investigations in accordance with sound laboratory practices, accepted forensic procedures, and established County policies. This position reports to the Commissioner of Health. Supervision is exercised over professional, technical, and clerical personnel.

Minimum Qualifications:

Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a minimum of a Master's degree in a Natural Science, Criminalistics, Forensic Science or a closely related field, and six years of recent (within the last ten years) technical laboratory work experience in an accredited forensic laboratory, three years of which must have been in a supervisory or managerial position.

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Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Bachelor's degree in a Natural Science, Criminalistics, Forensic Science or a closely related field, and eight years of recent (within the last ten years) technical laboratory work experience in an accredited forensic laboratory, three years of which must have been in a supervisory or managerial position.

Candidates considered for appointment will be required to undergo a State and National criminal history background investigation which will include a fingerprint check to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

Salary Range: \$116,722 - \$154,735

How to Apply: Submit: a cover letter detailing qualifications meeting the above requirements, resume, transcript(s) and completed application documents found on the Onondaga County Personnel website at: P-200 & P-202. Email all documents to: Debbie Mickle, Director of Operations at: DebbieMickle@ongov.net or via USPS mail: Center for Forensic Sciences; 100 Elizabeth Blackwell Street; Syracuse, NY 13210-2398, Attn: Debbie Mickle

Closing Date: Monday, November 16, 2020