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HEALTH CARE PURCHASING AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION

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Todd Rich
Administrator

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jon Pennell, DMV, Acting Chairman
FROM: Dena Schmidt, Secretary, State Board of Health
RE: Recommended Appointment to Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee
RE: NRS 652.170(1) Appointment, terms, and qualifications of members:
compensation of Members and Employees."

Staff Review

On November 3, 2025, a Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee (MLAC) meeting was held by teleconference. One of the action agenda items to consider was to designate an individual who meets the requirement of Nevada Revised Statutes 652.170(4)(b), which is to have one medical technologist as part of the composition of the MLAC. There is currently one such vacant MLAC member position.

There were 14 qualified people who completed and submitted informational documents to indicate an interest in becoming a member of the MLAC. A quorum of the MLAC members reviewed the submitted documents and voted for the applicant whom the members determined would be the best candidate to fill the one medical technologist vacancies.

With a unanimous vote from a quorum of the members, the one applicant chosen to fill the medical technologist vacancy is Nassreen Fontanilla Manliswe, MSHS-CLS, MLS (ASCPi CM).

In accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes 652.170(1), it is the responsibility of the State Board of Health to appoint the seven members of the MLAC. Statutorily, the members of the MLAC are allowed to serve two consecutive three-year terms. If approved by the Nevada Board of Health as an MLAC member, Nassreen Fontanilla Manliswe, MSHS-CLS, MLS (ASCPi CM) would be allowed to begin her first three-year term on the MLAC.

Public Comment Received

None.

Staff Recommendation

Appoint Kennedy Ukadike, MD, MS, FACR and Taylor L. Noyes, MT; to serve a second term on the MLAC.

Presenter

Bradley Waples, B.S. MT (ASCP)
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WORK HISTORY

1. Director of Laboratory Services

Northern Nevada Medical Center

Sparks, NV

April 2023 to Present

- Manage the laboratories of the hospital including the 3 Free-standing ED laboratories.
- Personnel Management
- Lab Supply management
- Maintain budget
- Vendor Contract assessments
- Interdepartmental collaboration to ensure Quality Patient Care
- Regulatory Compliance including preparation for inspections
- Create, maintain and update Policy and Procedures
- Maintain and Monitor Policy and Procedures
- Lab Quality Management
- Lab Process Improvement
- Timekeeper
- LIS
- New Project Implementation

2. Laboratory Supervisor QA/LIS

Northern Nevada Medical Center

Sparks, NV

June 2021 to March 2023

- Regulatory Compliance
- Maintain and Monitor Policy and Procedures
- IQCP
- Process Improvement
- Time Keeper (Kronos)
- LIS
- New Project Implementation

3. State Laboratory Inspector

State of Nevada Health Care Quality and Compliance

Carson City, NV

December 2020 to June 2021

- Laboratory Inspection and licensing
- Complaint Investigation

**4. CORE Lab Supervisor and Interim Technical Specialist –
Hematology/Coagulation/Chemistry/Urinalysis**

(Regional Medical Center and South Meadows Medical Center)

Renown Health System, Reno, NV

January 2019 to December, 2020

- Supervise laboratory
- Performance evaluation of staff

- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation (CAP, State Inspection)
- Formulate, revise and implement SOP's
- Test/Instrument validation
- LIS/Middleware Implementation
- Project implementation of new instrumentations and processes (Roche automation line with Infinity middleware)
- Participate in department and hospital-wide process improvements
- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab with basic blood bank)
- Supply management
- Administrative duties as assigned

5. Technical Supervisor

UTMB Victory Lakes, League City, TX

December 2017 to June 2018

- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation
- Formulate, revise and implement SOP's
- Validate and implement new tests/instrumentation
- Scheduling
- Supervise laboratory staff
- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab, Blood bank, Micro)
- Administrative duties as assigned

6. Medical Technologist

Memorial Hermann Health System

League City Convenient Care Center, League City, TX

December 2017 to November 2018

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab with basic Blood bank)
- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation
- Administrative duties as assigned

7. Senior Tech: Section In-charge Micro/Heme/Coag/UA

Memorial Hermann Health System

Southeast Hospital, Houston, TX

February 2016 to November 2017

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab, Blood bank, Micro)
- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation
- Validate and implement new tests/instrumentation
- Supervise techs and phlebotomist
- Administrative duties as assigned

8. Medical Technologist

Bestcare Laboratory Services, Webster, TX

July 2012 to April 2016

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab)
- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation
- Administrative duties as assigned

9. Medical Technologist

Cottage Hospital, Woodsville, NH

March 2011 to July 2012

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab, Blood bank, Micro)
- Prepare laboratory for regulatory accreditation

- Validate and implement new tests/instrumentation
- Administrative duties as assigned

10. Medical Technologist

Tawam Hospital, Al Ain, UAE

February 2009 to March 2011

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Chemistry and STAT Lab)
- Administrative duties as assigned

11. Medical Technologist

Almana General Hospital, Al Khobar, KSA

June 2005 to August 2007

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab)

12. Medical Technologist

Benguet General Hospital, Benguet, Philippines

June 2003 to June 2005

- Perform general laboratory technologist duties (Core Lab, Blood bank, Micro)

DEPARTMENTS HANDLED:

1. Hematology: Sysmex XN's, Beckman DXH and LH
2. Coagulation: ACL Series, and Stago Instruments
3. Chemistry: Vitros 5600, Beckman analyzers, Siemens Dimension, and Roche Cobas series
4. Urinalysis: Clinitek, IRIS and AUWIPro
5. Blood Bank: Provue and manual gel system
6. Microbiology: Bactec
7. Document Control: Soft tech, Policy Tech and Media Lab
8. LIS and Middleware: Softlab, Cerner, Data Innovations, EPIC

EDUCATION

1. Master of Science Clinical Laboratory Science

Course Completion: October 2020

Name of Institute: University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

2. Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

Date Course Completed: May 2003

Awards: Cum Laude

Name of Institute: Saint Louis University

LICENSE DETAILS

2. Nevada General Laboratory Supervisor License
3. ASCP^{CM} (Clinical Laboratory Scientist)

CERTIFICATION

1. Laboratory Management University – ASCP

Certificate Program in Lab Management

Date Course Completed: September 2014

REFERENCES

- ❖ Available upon request