

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY JOB DESCRIPTION

POST: Regional Pathologist

GRADE: M.O. IV

RESPONSIBLE TO: Regional Medical Officer

SUMMARY: Under the general supervision of the Regional Medical Officer the incumbent is responsible for the supervision of the Laboratory Services of the Region and providing Consultation Services to the Health Team.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Diagnostic Work

- (1) Surgical Pathology: Reporting and signing out surgical Pathology reports. Reporting and frozen section } **If Laboratory**
Trimming of surgical specimen} **facilities permit.**
- (2) Autopsies: To carry out clinical and medico legal autopsies in Region that are specially requested by Ministry of Health where specialized pathology service is required.
- (3) Haematology: In absence of Haematologist, general supervision of department and reading and reporting on bone marrow if qualified to do so.
- (4) Chemical Pathology & other Microbiology: To provide consultation services to Health team of the region.

Academic To organize and assist in Hospital Teaching Programme e.g. gynaecological and surgical pathology meeting.

To assist and teach D.M.O Forensic Pathology, in absence of Forensic Pathology. To assist in technologist training programme.

Administration: To carry out general supervision of laboratory service in the region. To assist Regional Supervisor in preparing annual reports to the Director of laboratory Services.

In conjunction with the technical staff supervise the mortuary and submit annual reports on clinical and medico legal autopsies. To organize staff training sessions to improve staff

performance and to ensure quality assurance practices are maintained.

To perform any other duty that may be requested by the Regional Medical Officer.

EDUCATION: Holder of a Medical Degree with post graduate qualification in Pathology.

EXPERIENCE: At least five (5) years experience in Pathology.

CONTINUING EDUCATION: This is a requirement. This can be achieved by local refresher courses, seminars, short courses in the relevant subject areas done overseas and through reading of current literature.