

Qualification Recognition, Alternative Careers, and Training Options

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What Roles do Medical Lab Technologists in Canada Perform?



Medical Lab Technologists

NOC website



Job Duties

- Set up, operate and maintain laboratory equipment
- Conduct and interpret chemical analyses of blood, urine, and cerebrospinal and other body fluids
- Study blood cells and other tissues to determine their relation to various pathological conditions
- Prepare tissue sections for microscopic examinations using various techniques
- Perform and interpret blood group, type and compatibility tests for transfusion purposes
- Establish procedures for the analysis of specimens and for medical laboratory experiments
- Conduct quality control assessment of testing techniques

Employment requirements

- 2/3 years college program in medical laboratory technology is required. A period of supervised practical training may be required.
- Registration with a regulatory body.
- Certification by the Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science usually required by employers

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Medical Laboratory Technologists

"Anyone performing laboratory investigations on the human body or on specimens taken from the human body, and the interpretation of quality control data to verify the accuracy and precision of investigation results, for the use by other health care professionals in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease must be on the register of the CMLTM and in possession of a valid Certificate of Practice".

Different Paths to Registration for

- Canadian Educated Applicants
- Applicants from other Canadian Regulated Provinces
- Internationally-educated Applicants



Understanding MLT Work in Manitoba

Example Job Titles

Clinical **Immunology Technologist** Medical Lab Cytology **Technologist Technologist** Cytotechnolog Medical **Technology** ist **Immunohemato** Histology logy **Technologist Technologist**

Manitoba Employers





Internationally-educated MLTs

Complete
Online Self
Assessment

Complete Prior Learning Assessment with CSMLS

Obtain Report from CSMLS

Gap Training (Address any gaps in skills/training)

Write CSMLS Certification Exam

IMPORTANT! Watch talking PowerPoint on the CSMLS website. https://www.cmltm.ca/registration-powerpoint/presentation_html5.html



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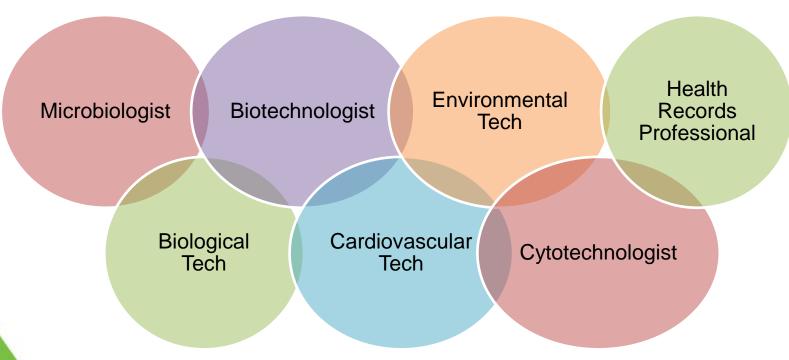


Alternative Careers for MLTs



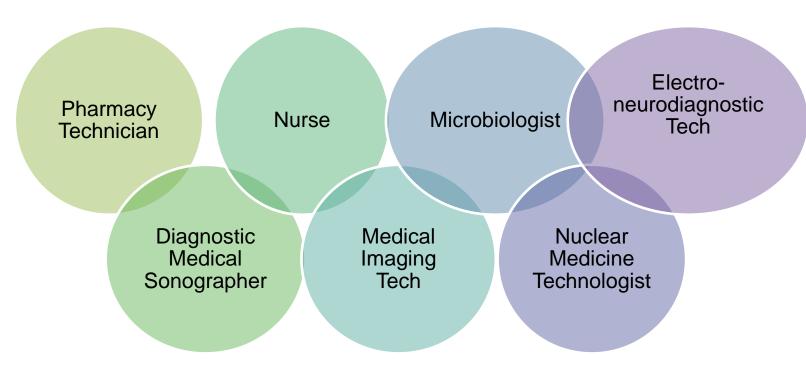


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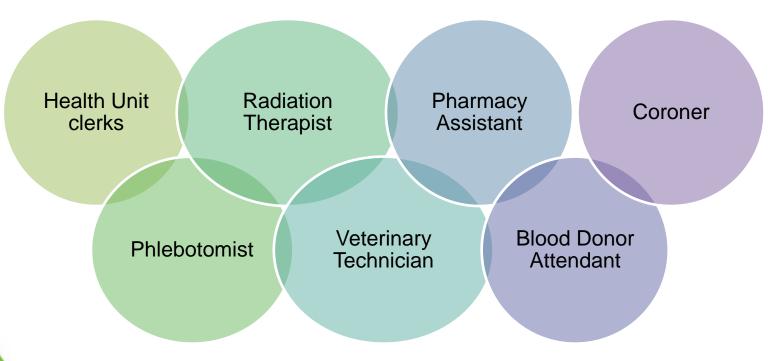


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Training Options for MLTs

Health Information Management Red River College

Duration: 2-year Diploma

Veterinary Technology Red River College

Duration: 2-year Diploma

Science Laboratory Technology Red River College

Duration: 2-year Diploma

Medical Laboratory Sciences Red River College

Duration: 2-year Diploma



Training Options for MLTs

QA/QC for Pharmaceutical and Food - Red River College

 Duration: 1-year advanced Diploma

Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Red River College

Duration: 1 year certificate

Communication and Professional Practice for Medical Laboratory Technologists

Red River College

Duration: 15-week program

Diagnostic Medical Sonography – Ultrasound

Red River College

Duration: 2-years Diploma



Training Options for MLTs

Diagnostic Cardiac Sonography – Echocardiography

Red River College

Duration: 12 months Diploma

Medical Radiologic Technology Red River College

Duration: 2-years Diploma

MRI and Spectroscopy

 Duration: Eight and one-half month advanced diploma offered as second discipline. Health Information Management - Red River College

Duration: 2-years Diploma

Paramedicine - Advanced Care Red River College

Duration: 2-years Diploma

Paramedicine - Primary Care Red River College

Duration: 1-year certificate



Career Planning Can Help You

Enter the workforce

Plan for education

Deal with changing workplace demands

Anticipate trends or changes

Upgrade or maintain your skills

Develop skills for managing your career



Reflecting on Barriers and Strengths





Setting Short and Long-term Goals

Set SMART Goals What? When? How?

How much time do you have to complete each step?

What resources might you need? Who can help?



Date: Apr 30, 2021 Date: May 7, 2021

Date: May 3, 2021 Date: May 3, 2021

Career and Education Plan

Name and Client ID: Tom Kim (12345)

Short Term Goal 1 Medical Laboratory Assistant

Short Term Goal 2

Medical Office Secretary/Unit Clerk

Long Term Goal

Job Search

Medical Laboratory Technician/Technologist

Achieving and Maintaining Long-Term **Employment**

- Maintaining long term employment and Career Management An ongoing process:
- a. Continuous learning develop new skills or refine existing skills
- b. Professional development take courses, attend workshops, read, network, volunteer
- c. Balancing work and life reflect on values, priorities and life circumstance
- Other: Attend qualifications recognition & networking events at Manitoba Start

ш		Research education and training options	Date: May 20, 2021
Ш	•	Identify post-secondary institution	Date: May 28, 2021
		Verify admissions requirements	Date: May 28, 2021
Ш	•	Research funding options (Employment MB, SEED Recognition Counts, Student Aid, etc.)	Date: May 28, 2021
Ш	٠	Other: Connect with the CMLTM for regulatory information	Date:

Researching Post **Secondary Training**

Qualification Recognition

8	•	Other: Attend SEED Winnipeg Webinar, register on Manitoba Start website	Date: Jun 18, 2021
8	Ш	SEED Recognition Counts, MB Student Aid, bursaries, financial institutions, etc.).	
ı	•	Research Funding Options (Immigrant Access fund, Employment MB,	Date: Jun 11, 2021
1	•	Identify necessary requirements (language level, transcript, syllabus, etc.)	Date: Jun 11, 2021
1	•	Contact regulatory body	Date: Jun 11, 2021
		Research your regulated profession or trade	Date: Jun 11, 2021

Ш	Research job specific training (First Aid/CPR, fork lift, security guard license, etc.)	Date: May 3, 2021
П	Complete ASSESS assessments sent by facilitator/coach; consider computer training	Date: May 3, 2021
П	Consider volunteering (visit <u>www.volunteermanitoba.ca</u>)	Date: May 3, 2021
П	Language assessment at WELARC	Date: May 10, 2021
П	Obtain Driver's license	Date: May 28, 2021
П	Other: Find volunteer opportunities related to the medical lab field such as sample collector or admin positions	Date: May 10, 2021

Skill Development

Complete Career Development Workshop at Manitoba Start Finalize marketing materials (resume, cover letter, references)

· Apply for Security Clearance Checks (criminal record check, child abuse registry, adult abuse registry, immunizations record)

Preparation

Prepare a list of medical labs to apply after finalizing resume and cover letter with my career coach

Thank you!



If you require additional information about qualification recognition, please contact your Career Coach.

If you are not currently a Manitoba Start client, register with us:

- Call front desk at 204-944-8833
- Visit in person
- Complete our online <u>registration form</u> to receive career development support.

Good luck with your career planning and work search!