MORGUE ATTENDANT

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS:
This is responsible work involving the maintenance of equipment and instruments used in performing an autopsy and in autopsy preparation activities.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK: (These examples do not list all the duties which may be assigned; any one position may not include all the duties listed.)

Places human cadaver in refrigeration unit at the morgue; prepares body for pathologist to perform autopsy; transfers body from morgue to autopsy room and places body on autopsy table for operations; returns body to refrigeration after completion of autopsy.

Collects specimen samples for microscopic and laboratory examinations.

Closes all incisions; washes and dries body preparatory for dressing and internment.

Cleans and maintains autopsy table; instruments, and other related equipment before and after every autopsy.

Maintains adequate supplies of linen.

May perform related clerical duties.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS:
Ability to maintain surgical instruments and equipment.
Ability to prepare autopsy room as well as cadavers for autopsy.
Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.
Ability to work effectively with the public and employees.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:
(A) Six months experience as a morgue attendant; or
(B) Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the minimum knowledge, abilities and skills.

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