

**Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board
Personnel and Education Committee
October 15, 2014
Minutes**

Date: October 15, 2014

Time: 1:00 PM CST/CDT

Location: Department of Health Licensure and Regulation
TN Department of Health
Metro Center Complex, Iris Room, Ground Floor
665 Mainstream Drive,
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present: Kathleen Kenwright, Medical Technologist Educator, Chairperson
Tereyo M. Cox, Medical Technologist General
Stephanie Dolsen, Lab Supervisor
Patti J. Walton, Hospital/Lab Manager/Adm. Dir.
Mark Calarco, DO, Independent Laboratory Mgt/Adm.

Members Absent: Royce Joyner, MD, Pathologist Educator
Cheryl Arnott, S.A. Cytotechnologist

Staff Present: Lynda S. England, Medical Technologist Consultant, Director
Jerry A. Gowen, Medical Technologist Consultant
Mollie Gass, Advisory Attorney, Office of General Counsel

Staff Absent: None

Presiding Officer: The meeting was conducted by Kathleen Kenwright, Chairperson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM CST/CDT

Introductions: The Board and staff made their introductions to the public in attendance.

Proceedings and Actions Taken:

Review Correspondence: Personnel Issues:

Review Initial Applications and/or interview applicants to determine eligibility or remediation:

1. **Robert B. Ansagay**
Medical Technologist
Nashville, TN
37210

Application: Medical Technologist

Degree: Bachelor of Science: Saint Louis University, Philippines, 2002-2006

Training Program: Hospital of the Sacred Heart, May, 2005-May, 2006

Equivalency: Bachelor's degree with a major in Medical Technology from a regionally accredited institution in the United States. Program included a one year internship.

Certification: Certified as a Medical Technologist Generalist, AMT, Valid from May 30, 2013, until June 1, 2015.

File Status: All qualifying documents are present in the file

Appearance: Mr. Ansagay was asked to appear before the P&E Committee of the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board due to his international training and immigration status

Motion to approve license: Ms. Walton

Second: Ms. Dolsen

Licensure approved.

2. **Leann Tefft**
Medical Laboratory
Technician
Hammondsport, NY
14840

This application was left on the table until the October meeting.

Application: Medical Laboratory Technician (Reduced from Medical Technologist due to not being awarded a Bacalaureat degree or having HEW).

Degree: AAS, Alfred State, SUNY College of Technology

Training Program: No documented training program

Certification: Certified as a Medical Laboratory Technician, ASCP, no expiration.

File Status: All other qualifying documents are present in the file

Appearance: Ms. Tefft was asked to appear before the P&E due to certain disclosures in the application process

Motion to approve license: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Walton

Abstain: Dr. Calarco

Licensure approved.

3. **Ms. Hoang Le**
Medical
Technologist
Memphis, TN
38135

Application: Medical Technologist

Degree: Associates of Applied Science, Southwest Tennessee Community College, Memphis, TN., 2006, Bachelor of Science, Economics, Ho Chi Minh City University, Thailand, 1999.

Equivalency: Equivalent in level and purpose to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics awarded by regionally accredited colleges and universities in the United States

Training Program: Southwest Tennessee Community College, MLT Program, with three year's work experience pathway

Certification: Medical Technologist – Generalist by the AAB Board of Registry

File Status: All other qualifying documents are present in the file

Appearance: Ms. Le was asked to appear before the Personnel and Education Committee due her Bachelor's degree in Economics and not in Medical Technology or one of the sciences.

Move to approve license: Ms. Walton

Second: Ms. Dolsen

Licensure approved.

Reinstatement Applications:

Nothing to present

Reactivate Retired Applications:

Nothing to present

Review Consultant Approval and Ratification of Personnel Applications:

New Licenses and Temporary Licenses (Attachments 1 & 2)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of initial and temporary licenses from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

Reinstatements (Attachment 3)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of reinstated licenses from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

Closed Files (Attachment 4)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of closed files from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

Retired Files (Attachment 5)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of retired licenses from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

Training Permits (Attachment 6)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of training permits from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

CEU Audit Information (No Vote Information Only)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant's list of CEU Audits from July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014

The Chair requested a motion to accept all Consultant Approved Personnel Actions under Tab 2.

Motion to ratify consultant approved new, temporary,

reinstated, administratively closed, retired licenses and training permits: Dr. Calarco
Second: Ms. Walton

Motion to ratify approved.

Review Correspondence: Personnel and Educational Issues:

Program Director Approvals

Fortis Institute, Nashville Campus
3354 Perimeter Hill Drive, Suite 105
Nashville, TN 37211

Ms. Christie Jenkins

Dr. Robert Nodolf, Campus President, presented Ms. Christie Jenkins, MS, MT(ASCP) for consideration by the Personnel and Education Committee as the new Program Director of the Fortis Institute, Nashville, Campus, Medical Laboratory Technician Training Program. Ms. Jenkins would replace Ms. Hema D' Sousa having tendered her resignation.

The Committee interviewed Ms. Jenkins and reviewed her qualifications in relationship with the Rules. Upon having a thorough review, the following motion was offered:

Motion to approve Ms. Christie Jenkins as the Program Director of the Medical Laboratory Technician Training Program, Fortis Institute, Nashville, Campus, Pending her acceptance by NAACLS as the Program Director and that acceptance letter is presented to the central office: Ms. Walton

Second: Dr. Calarco

Motion Approved

Post meeting addendum: Prior to the next quarterly meeting to be held in January, 2015, Ms. Jenkins was accepted/approved by NAACLS as program director. That acceptance/approval announcement will be made at that meeting and will be included in the official minutes.

Discussion/Clarification of Staff Correspondence/Inquiries

1. Revisit: Can phlebotomist perform and report select POC Testing? Discussion to include a similar previous decision by the Board regarding Clerks reporting results VIA the LIS. This topic held over from the July meeting to allow OGC to study and advise before a decision is made.

At the last quarterly meeting held in July, 2014, Representatives from Metropolitan Nashville General Hospital Clinical Laboratory and for Dr. Robert Burnette, Clinical Laboratory Director of same, asked for guidance and direction regarding the possible performance and reporting, via the Laboratory Information System (LIS), certain waived POC tests in the emergency department by facility employed phlebotomy personnel.

The decision was made to lay this topic and related questions/concerns on the table until the October 15, 2014, meeting. Advisory attorney will research the question, its ramifications, along with any related, previous questions/decisions in order to advise Committee members as it responds to this inquiry.

Mollie Gass, Advisory Attorney, provided the following the following information regarding this topic. Rule 1200-06-01-.25(2) Reads, "Personnel performing Waived and Point of Care laboratory testing shall be exempt from licensure, providing such testing is performed in accordance with rules 1200-06-03-.16 and 1200-06-03-.17 governing Medical Laboratories.

Rule 1200-06-03-.16 **Defines Point of Care Testing** and it is the opinion of counsel, nothing in the rules would prohibit phlebotomist from performing POC so long as all other requirements are met.

Rule 1200-06-01-.02 **Scope of Practice**. Medical laboratory personnel and special analysts may perform clinical laboratory tests that provide vital information to the medical practitioner for the purpose of determining the nature, cause and extent of the patient's medical condition. (***may perform Is not defined***)

Rule 1200-06-01-.22(2) **Responsibilities and Duties of Testing Personnel** Reporting the results of testing performed is listed as a responsibility and duty of testing personnel MT, MLT and SA but does not necessary exclude others from performing that function.

This business was limited to discussion only and will be represented at tomorrow's Board Meeting. No actions taken.

(The Chair called for a 20 minute break at 2:30PM)

(The Chair called the meeting back to order at 2:50PM)

2. Rules re-write task force review and discussion: Red Line Report

A recap of the rules re-write task force committee was shared with the entire committee. This review allowed for more input regarding the changes which were made and allowed for the opportunity to add changes which may have been overlooked or an additional change which a committee member asked to be considered. There were no actions requiring a motion.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Elections for Officers of the Board and of the P&E Committee will take place in January.

No other business came before the Personnel and Education Committee of the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board.

Statement of Next Meeting:

The next Personnel and Education Committee Meeting will be January 14, 2015, and will begin at 1 PM CDT/CST in the Iris Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, TN 37243

Record of Adjournment:

With no other business before the Personnel and Education Committee to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM CDT/CST on a motion properly presented by Ms. Walton, seconded by Dr. Calarco.

**ATTACHMENT 1: Initial Licenses
 July-Sept, 2014**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
23750	Shepherd	Laura F.	Lebanon, OH	Technician
23791	Matheny	Christy	Tullahoma, TN	Technician
23780	Whitley	Molly E.	Selmer, TN	Technician
23824	Taylor	Courtney E.	Maynardville, TN	Technician
23819	Guinn	Anjeanette L.	Madison, TN	Technician
23767	Martin	Dean	Memphis, TN	Technician
23822	Wagner	Janet S.	Cottontown, TN	Technician
23823	Washington	Denisha J.	Byhalia, MS	Technician
23841	Partin	Lesa M.	Barbourville, KY	Technician
23866	Goodwin	Chasity L.	Sweetwater, TN	Technician
23751	Berryman	Danielle R.	Greybull, WY	Technician
23821	Mason	Marlee A.	Dresden, TN	Technician
22543	Collins	Jennifer L.	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23746	George	Leena V.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23816	Craig	Tracy M.	Bartlett, TN	Technologist
23793	Wang	Weizhou	Grand Rapids, MI	Technologist
23786	Stafford	Stephanie D.	Cordova, TN	Technologist
23804	Snizek	Sabina	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23814	Phipps	Deanna R.	Lewisburg, TN	Technologist
23784	Lowe	Kelsey L.	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23854	VU	Oanh K.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23765	Luoto	Iris M.	Rochester, MN	Technologist
23844	Ayalew	Gashaye	Cordova, TN	Technologist
23826	McCoy	Sherrell Y.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23847	Verhoven	Sylvia M.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23792	Shiferaw	Getnet A.	Antioch, TN	Technologist
23839	Guest	Melissa R.	Clarksville, TN	Technologist
23863	Adams	Steven K. Adams	Crossville, TN	Technologist
23807	Perez	Ariel M.	Southaven, MS	Technologist
23808	Evans	Desiree M.	Cordova, TN	Technologist

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23809	Blackwell	Daphne M.	Memphis, TN	SA Cytogenetics
23846	Aleem	Syeda P.	Brentwood, TN	SA Cytogenetics
23706	Wang	Yilun	Nashville, TN	Supv Molecular
20698	Shumaker	Susan B.	Collierville, TN	Supv Toxicology
20514	Stapp	Natasha E.	Clarksville, TN	Supv General
18690	Batey	Kisha M.	Nashville, TN	Suyp General

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23850	Spears	Amy R.	Stewart, TN	Technician
23540	Flynn	Timothy E.	Unicoi, TN	Technician
23799	Dominguez	Yoko T.	Hendersonville, TN	Technician
23803	Patel	Jigna P.	Goodlettsville, TN	Technician
23852	Webb	Charles J.	Marion, VA	Technician
23856	Schneider	Josie D.	Nashville, TN	Technician
23836	McKnight	Tamara L.	Anderson, IN	Technician
23825	Eastridge	Lisa S.	Florence, KY	Technician
23849	Hall	Ashley M.	Spokane Valley, WA	SA Cytogenetics
23783	Burton	Lindsey A.	Slidell, LA	SA Cytogenetics
23853	Spencer	Noreen S.	Lebanon, TN	Technologist
23829	Campbell	Jennifer A.	Lawrenceburg, TN	Technologist
23806	Vital	Mikel A.	Oak Grove, KY	Technologist
23805	Brown	Tara L.	Humboldt, TN	Technologist
23842	Massey	Jason K.	Covington, TN	Technologist
21240	Taylor	Jacqueline	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23848	Robbins	Meaghan C.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23860	McEnerney	Kathleen A.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23815	Pridemore	Karen A.	Melvindale, MI	Technologist
23794	Rowlett	Cody E.	LaVergne, TN	Technologist
23834	Baker	Kimaria D.	Collierville, TN	Technologist
23811	Clower	Jessica N.	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23872	Corona	Melissa M.	Cumberland Furnace, TN	Technologist

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23851	Parrott	Patricia D.	Martin, TN	Technologist
23838	Griffin	Casey A.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
23837	Fultz	Amanda T.	Old Hickory, TN	Technologist
23817	Smith	Jon T.	Clarksville, TN	Technologist
23869	Howell	Sarah E.	Hopkinsville, KY	Technologist
23691	Perry	Courtney L.	Flintstone, GA	Technologist
23787	Miller	Jenna M.	Murfreesboro, TN	Technologist
23801	Barr	Laura D.	Taylorsville, MS	Supv General
23597	Chess	Darren B.	LaVergne, TN	Supv General
13741	Utlej	Sherry L.	Springfield, TN	Supv General
13418	Benson	Kelley D.	Southaven, MS	Supv General
23855	Crumbley	Angela N.	Douglasville, GA	Supv Chemistry Technologist General
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23857	Hailey	Mary F.	Cookeville, TN	Technician
23735	McClendon	Dominic R.	Memphis, TN	Technician
23874	Davis	Jeremy L.	Gallatin, TN	Technician
23775	Farley	Ashley M.	Carthage, TN	Technician
23891	Williams	Jawana P.	Satsuma, AL	SA Cytotechnology
23892	Miller	Shawn H.	Fortney, TX	SA Cytogenetics
23887	Avey	Travis J.	Nashville, TN	Technologist Microbiology
23835	Khounviengxay	Dana	Antioch, TN	Technologist
23830	Warfield	Jessica L.	Clarksville, TN	Technologist
23579	Johnson	Tim D.	Scottsville, KY	Technologist
23861	Thornton	Tempest T.	Memphis, TN	Technologist
23843	Rodgers	Matthew J.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
22142	Anderson	Dennis K.	Knoxville, TN	Supv Molecular Diagnostics

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22699	Mason	Bryan P.	Bowling Green, KY	Supv Microbiology
23876	Baker	Diane C.	Niles, MI	Supv General
14581	Connelly	Kathy H.	Southaven, MS	Supv General
7446	Oatsvall	Brent	Huntingdon, TN	Supv General
20660	Knoepfel	Michelle L.	Columbia, TN	Supv General
19470	Barberry	Ruth H.	Maryville, TN	Supv General
21838	Mercado	Lymarie	Nashville, TN	Supv General
21625	Newton	Lanie L.	Brentwood, TN	Supv General

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**ATTACHMENT 2: Temporary Licenses
July-Sept, 2014**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
23785	Nguyen	Tuyen V.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
July 31				
Aug 1				
None				
Aug 31				
Sept 1				
NONE				
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**ATTACHMENT 3: Reinstatements
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License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
21239	Hopper	Katherine M.	Nashville, TN	Technologist
4262	Smalley	Janice S.	Cordova, TN	Supv General
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21434	McDaniels- Parker	Cynthia L.	Murray, KY	Technologist
6935	Miller	Kathryn A.	Memphis, TN	Supv ImmunoHEMA
17921	Johnson	Jeffrey W.	Burns, TN	Supv General
2567	Southerland	Diane M.	Knoxville, TN	Supv General
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Sept 1				
22598	Wilhite	Kristin D.	Livingston, TN	Technician
21635	Nichols	Dawnelle	Jonesboro, AR	Technologist
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**ATTACHMENT 4: Administratively Closed Files
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File #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
22870	Waggoner	Ashley N.	Sparta, TN	Technician
23214	Shen	Jie	Memphis, TN	Technician
23115	Hammitt	Ronald D.	Johnson City, TN	Technician
23105	Fitzgerald	Atina L.	Gray, TN	Technician
23113	Cantrell	Ruby Y.	Rogersville, TN	Technician
23044	Cox	Robin E.	Clarksville, TN	Technician
23267	Craft	Sherri L.	Athens, AL	Technician
23319	Blevins	Leona E.	Eton, GA	Technician
23145	Odedeui	Cornelius	Collierville, TN	Technician
23540	Flynn	Timothy E.	Unicoi, TN	Technician
23232	Arning	Robin S.	Johnson City, TN	SA Embryology
23449	Huyler	Clova M.	Cutler, ME	Technologist
23052	Fernandez	Duane S.	Ooltewah, TN	Technologist
23280	Bartlett	Alice	Gulfport, MS	Technologist
22826	Aichele	Rani	Ringgold, GA	Technologist
23636	Schilling	Whitney	Nesbit, MS	Technologist
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23491	Goff	Kimberly A.	Dyersburg, TN	Technician
23629	Jarvis	Jason K.	Inez, KY	Technician
23681	Eichenberger	Shannon S.	Murfreesboro, TN	SA Cytogenetics
23516	Burnett	Tamara L.	Memphis, TN	Technologist
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None

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ATTACHMENT 5: Retired Licenses
License # followed by (A) indicates retired under audit
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License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
18236 (A)	Washington	Lestine	Memphis, TN	Technician
838	May	Carolyn S.	Franklin, TN	Technologist- Microbiology
10916	Graves	Susan C.	Murfreesboro, TN	Technologist
3246	Hoogesteger	Virginia H.	Franklin, TN	Technologist
23559	Vojtkofsky	Michelle K.	Claremont, CA	Technologist
4257	Cagle	Jimmy D.	Dickson, TN	Supv General
3106	Henderson	Clayburn P.	Olive Branch, MS	Supv General
4500	Youngquist	Donna A.	Clarksville, TN	Supv General
3744	Logan	Brenda W.	Bristol, TN	Supv General
19098	Roberts	David M.	Columbia, TN	Mixed Modifier (Supv Cytology; SA Molecular Diagnostics)
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Aug 1				
1060	McGregor	Velma L.	McMinnville, TN	Technologist
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Sept 1				
18617(A)	Ford	Wendell B.	Cosby, TN	Technician
11881	Drinnon	Wanda J.	Talbott, TN	Technologist
4803	Dixon	Gayle V.	Chattanooga,	Technologist

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12644	Todd	Terry W.	TN Knoxville, TN	Technologist
21766	Ratchford	Scott T.	Hagerstown, MD	Supv General
646	Harris	Delcenia	Memphis, TN	Supv General
14671	Farley	Marilyn P.	Clarksville, TN	Supv General
9060	Barker	Rebecca M.	Abingdon, VA	Supv General
4618	Whisman	James W.	Hixson, TN	Supv General
6032	Roberson	Gail P.	Dunlap, TN	Supv General
1302	Andre	Nancy A.	Collierville, TN	Supv General

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ATTACHMENT 6: Training Permits

No license # is issued for a training permit, thus the column for license # becomes school name

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School	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1				
JSCC	Bell	Heather W.	Henderson, TN	Technician
JSCC	Burkett	Jennifer K.	Martin, TN	Technician
JSCC	Coulston	Amy E.	Stanton, TN	Technician
JSCC	Dailey	Christina A.	Jackson, TN	Technician
JSCC	Duncan	Neal C.	Martin, TN	Technician
JSCC	Johnson	Amber D.	Bethel Springs, TN	Technician
JSCC	Jones	Lindsey R.	Reagan, TN	Technician
JSCC	Smith	Marcy M.	Covington, TN	Technician
JSCC	Tillman	Brittany N.	Halls, TN	Technician
JSCC	Witherspoon	Maia E.	Jackson, TN	Technician
JSCC	Williams	Meaghan L.	Beech Bluff, TN	Technician
Integrated Onc.	Tan	Mingqi	Nashville, TN	SA Cytogenetics
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SWTCC	Spencer	Kayla A.	Collierville, TN	Technician
SWTCC	Merritt	Angela	Southaven, MS	Technician
SWTCC	Zinn	Teneshia L.	Holly Springs, MS	Technician
SWTCC	Ragsdale	Audrey K.	Bartlett, TN	Technician
SWTCC	Long	Nikita L.	Memphis, TN	Technician
SWTCC	Balde	Saikou	Memphis, TN	Technician
SWTCC	Rice	Kimberly M.	Horn Lake, MS	Technician
SWTCC	Nguyen	Kelly A.	Memphis, TN	Technician
SWTCC	Bedell	Hong-Thu N.	Cordova, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Rankhorn	Rhonda C.	Rock Island, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Tomlinson	Lindsey R.	LaFayette, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Smith	Christina L.	Hilham, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Ryan	Justin E.	Cookeville, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Vinson	Alex C.	Sparta, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Willeby	Crystal J.	Smithville, TN	Technician

Fortis Cooke	Randolph	Sue K.	Crossville, TN	Technician
Fortis Cooke	Stevens	Kimberly D.	Sparta, TN	Technician
Armstrong	Gutierrez	Bonita R.	McMinnville, TN	Technologist
Atlantic				
UTMemHSC	Jallow	Abdoulie	Memphis, TN	Technologist
UTMemHSC	Jones	Sherri L.	Byhalia, MS	Technologist
UTMemHSC	Williams	Vontina M.	Memphis, TN	Technologist

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Int. Oncology	Botley	Jessica R.	Antioch, TN	SA Cytogenetics
UTHSC Mem	Blanco	Antolin V.	Cordova, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
UTHSC Mem	Chen	Yuan	Memphis, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
UTHSC Mem	Koehler	Nikki	Covington, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
UTHSC Mem	Lemassi	Margaret-D	Memphis, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
UTHSC Mem	Peeler	Chelsea N.	Memphis, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
UTHSC Mem	Star	Mayra	Memphis, TN	SA
Cytotechnology				Cytotechnology
Pathgroup	Wilson	Trisha N.	LaVergne, TN	SA Cytogenetics
LMU	Collins	Brittany M.	Pineville, KY	Technologist
LMU	Cox	Matthew S.	Knoxville, TN	Technologist
LMU	Daniels	Colby A.	Harrogate, TN	Technologist
LMU	Evans	Kaylyn R.	Flat Lick, KY	Technologist
LMU	Hickman	Catherine S.	Middlesboro, KY	Technologist
LMU	Rowe	Susan M.	Knoxville, TN	Technologist
LMU	Silvestrini	Jennifer A.	Harrogate, TN	Technologist
LMU	Jarnigan	Asha R.	Sunbright, TN	Technologist
LMU	Sweatt	Jacob L.	Pikeville, TN	Technologist
LMU	Wynn	Megan N.	Maynardville, TN	Technologist

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