University Hospital/UT Health Histotechnology Training Program CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

The clinical experience is an integral part of the learning of Histotechnology. It requires bench work expertise, knowledge of theory and potential future employment opportunities.

The clinical experience is a <u>privilege</u> extended to the trainees by the laboratories involved. We are guests in these facilities and must adhere to their policies, performance, and attendance requirements.

The clinical facility has the right to remove a trainee and thus terminate the clinical experience if they are not satisfied with the trainee's attitudes, attendance, unethical behavior, or academic performance in their facility. Therefore, the clinical experience must be approached as though the trainee is a potential employee and the clinical site a potential employer.

Great care must be taken to ensure a successful working relationship between you and the clinical facility; we are stating that you are ready to take your place in the laboratory learning/working environment. Careful consideration has been given to your clinical placement in hopes that you will benefit and be successful in this endeavor. This learning/working experience is a vital part of the HT program and the inability to complete this phase will jeopardize completion of the program.

Trainees assigned for clinical rotations are required to be in attendance Tuesday through Friday; 8:00-5:00pm. Trainees will not be required to attend any other times. There are assigned trainee instructors at each clinical rotation for the supervision and evaluation of the histology trainees.

Policy of Service Work:

All jobs held by trainees are unrelated to the training program. If trainees work, it is only on their own time and not during school hours. The type of work they do, and the supervision required is the responsibility of their employer.

Trainees will be assigned to clinical rotations where they will be trained by knowledgeable and skilled clinical team members but may not be used or treated as substitute for regular staff at any time during their training. Trainees are in training but are not assigned clinical work duties at any point during clinical rotations.