## **ENTRY LEVEL COMPETENCIES**

Upon successful completion of the College of the Canyons Medical Laboratory Technician Program, the Medical Laboratory Technician will:

- 1. Apply safety principles in all areas of practice.
- 2. Comply with safety and operational policies set forth by governmental agencies that oversee clinical laboratory standard practices.
- 3. Demonstrate professional behavior when communicating and interacting with patients and the general public, laboratory colleagues, and fellow health care professionals.
- 4. Collect, process, and evaluate the acceptability of biological specimens for testing.
- 5. Perform, evaluate, and monitor quality control (QC) procedures within the established parameters and limits.
- 6. Perform assays on biological samples such as blood, body fluids, and other biological specimens as requested by the patient's health care provider.
- 7. Recognize biological and technical factors that can adversely affect assay procedures and test results, troubleshoot, and document such errors.
- 8. Perform routine preventive maintenance and repair of instruments and equipment as appropriate or refer a malfunctioning instrument for repair.
- 9. Correlate laboratory test results to normal or abnormal physiological states or diseases.
- 10. Use basic scientific concepts to evaluate new methodologies and techniques in a dynamic laboratory setting.
- 11. Collaborate with members of the patient's healthcare team to accomplish common goals in providing quality patient care.
- 12. Maintain professional competency by continuously seeking continuing education and lifelong learning opportunities.