Pathology Assistant

Primary Focus Areas: Tissue identification, collection and processing

The bio-repository has access to several Pathology PAs who are trained in specimen identification and collection. Their services include:

- Sequestering requested specimens for bio-repository for distribution to eligible academic center/outside vendor
- Identifying eligible patients using EPIC research association using user defined parameters for specific tissue requests for research
- Preparing bio-repository tissue for future research needs
- Prepare tissue for bio-repository needs (generic on request-based preservation)
   - Slides; stained and unstained
   - Tissue curls for nucleic acids
   - FFPE blocks
- Supporting the bio-repository in fulfilling specimen requests using Pathology banked samples (deceased/ 10+ years old)
- CoPath/Beaker searches
- Specimen acquisition and cataloging
- Enrolling patients using bio-repository consent forms
- Keeping track of specimens and invoices for tissue specific requests
- Helping with research/BR report preparation and dissemination