



**OKLAHOMA**

## **FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST**

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

**Salary starting at \$250,600 + Benefits – Up to \$5,000 relocation reimbursement**  
**\$4,500 Yearly personal educational/equipment allowance**  
**Public service loan forgiveness eligibility**  
**Teleworking opportunities**



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State of Oklahoma benefits

The Oklahoma Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) seeks additional forensic pathologists to join our team as we align ourselves with National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) accreditation standards. The position is for the Oklahoma City Office, which houses a single purpose 47,000 square foot, state-of-the-art facility with in-house postmortem CT, Lodox, toxicology lab (ABFT-accredited), forensic anthropology and histology. We have an ACGME-accredited forensic pathology fellowship program. The pathology technician to physician ratio is 1:1, we have two family assistance coordinators, 30 ABMDI-certified investigators, consultant forensic odontologist and neuropathologist, and a full administrative staff. We have funding for a total of 17 FTE forensic pathologists and 2 concurrent fellows, and we anticipate having those positions filled by 2023.

OCME physicians all have private offices, with state-of-the art digital photomicroscopes, computers with 42 inch high-res monitors, and windows. The autopsy stations feature ergonomic, downdraft tables and large wall monitors. 3D radiographic visualization and printing is on site.

The OCME is an independent, statewide ME system with two practice locations (Tulsa and OKC) serving a population of approximately 3.8 million people and is charged by state statute with directing death investigations involving cases affecting the criminal justice and public health systems. Last year we completed over 8,000 examinations and issued over 20,000 cremation and out-of-state transport permits. We have invested heavily in IT to facilitate efficient workflow, evidence and records management. We are a national frontrunner in the efficient utilization of Lodox full body forensic radiography and are actively using in-house postmortem CT for diagnosis and research.



## Oklahoma City

Our city might surprise you. OKC offers metropolitan living with a home town vibe. It is the second largest city by land mass in the United States, and has a rapidly developing downtown area with a mixture of art-deco period buildings and modern high rises, and the bustling Bricktown entertainment area. Many new, quality apartment buildings have sprouted up recently, and there are many choices of single family homes to rent or purchase. Foodies will find a wide variety of choices, from the upscale to smoky BBQ shacks, sommelier-managed wine merchants to local craft brews. We have a world-class zoo and several nice museums, all just minutes from the office. The Oklahoma City Museum of Art has the world's largest private collection of Chihuly glass. We have renowned collegiate and professional sporting venues and events, including the Olympic rowing training site. The cost of living here is low.

### Requirements:

- Licensed to practice medicine in the State of Oklahoma at time of employment.
- Board certification or eligibility by the Anatomic Board of Pathology (ABP) in AP or AP/CP at the time of employment.
- Board certification by the ABP in Forensic Pathology within two years of hire.
- Pass a rigorous background check.

### Primary Performance Expectations:

- Approximately 250-300 autopsy equivalents per year.
- Case completion according to NAME standards.
- Participation in the QA process.
- Our physicians are expected to direct medicolegal death investigations, perform postmortem examinations and document findings in concise and accurate reports, take overnight and weekend call, and offer professional consultation to outside agencies, including organ procurement organizations, criminal court officials and law enforcement, and provide judicial testimony. They also review requests for cremation and out-of-state body transport and issue permits using a web-based system.
- Teaching fellows, medical students, residents, and students from our local forensic science programs.
- Team work, mutual respect, professionalism, affability, and equanimity are critically important values for us. We have an efficient, team-oriented approach to case management. It is essential to have good skills in working effectively with other people, have a professional demeanor and carry the utmost respect for our decedents.

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