



**STATE OF MARYLAND  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER**

**FORENSIC MEDICAL CENTER  
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**CLASS TITLE: ASSISTANT MEDICAL EXAMINER**

**SALARY RANGE**

**Board Certified:** \$246,008 - \$388,813/year

**Non-Board Certified:** \$184,506 - \$298,422/year

The Maryland Department of Health, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, is seeking Assistant Medical Examiners to join a committed professional team of forensic pathologists, investigating deaths and performing autopsies as necessary. The primary purpose of this position is to provide certified medical and specialized pathology skills in the performance of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner's (OCME) mandated cause and manner of death investigation.

**ABOUT THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER**

Established in 1939 as the nation's first statewide medical examiner system, the acclaimed OCME of Maryland is a supportive agency with a strong institutional culture and a commitment to excellence. Serving 6 million residents throughout the State of Maryland, the OCME is NAME accredited and has been continuously for 30 years. The legislature and administration are deeply committed to maintaining this accreditation. In support of this accreditation, the legislature spent \$54 million in 2009 on the construction of the stand-alone 120,000 SF OCME facility located on the University of Maryland's medical campus. The office is well equipped with updated technology that includes CT and LODOX® imaging, a histology laboratory, and an in-house toxicology laboratory that maintains an approximate 1 week turn-around time.



The OCME is staffed with 93 full-time in-house positions and approximately 100 part-time positions. The forensic pathology team includes the Chief Medical Examiner, two Deputy Chief Medical Examiners, 16 Assistant Medical Examiner positions and 4 ACGME accredited fellowship positions. Death scene investigations are performed by the forensic investigative team, comprised of on-site Baltimore City forensic investigators located on-site at the OCME, and off-site county forensic investigators. The forensic pathologists are supported by 16 autopsy services positions. Additionally, the OCME utilizes Per Diem Forensic Pathologists to strive to maintain a NAME caseload

for all Assistant Medical Examiners.

The OCME has multiple consultants including neuropathology, eye pathology, cardiovascular pathology, radiology, odontology, and anthropology. Other specialist services are available through a partnership with the University of Maryland Medical System and The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The OCME is affiliated with six medical schools in the Maryland-DC area and provides opportunities for pathology residents from those schools, elective rotation for medical students, and training for master's in forensic medicine program and collaboration with institutes in China.

Assistant medical examiners typically work 2 days per week in the autopsy room during the week and approximately one weekend a month. The daily autopsy workload is handled by a team of assistant medical examiners, per diems, fellows, and visiting residents. The Assistant ME rotation consists of being on cases for five months, every third weekday, and one weekend in the month. Then on month six, the ME has a desk month to catch up on reports, complex cases, CME, write papers and other professional development as needed. Night call occurs once every 18-20 days. For a significant part of the year, the fellows also take night call decreasing the frequency of call.



Described as “America in miniature,” Maryland has varied geography; mountains in the west to the ocean in the east, from rural communities to urban centers, ensuring a stimulating variety of interesting cases to investigate.

Maryland is ideally situated in the Mid-Atlantic area, easily accessible to Philadelphia, New York, and the District of Columbia, and features superb quality of life options, attractions, and activities. Affectionately known as Charm City, Baltimore is a culturally diverse community with professional sports teams, museums, fine dining and ethnic cuisine, live musical and theatrical performances, and a variety of cultural institutions. Maryland is a great place to raise a family, with excellent school systems, colleges and universities. An abundance of varying housing is available from downtown waterfront condos to suburban and rural settings all within a reasonable commute, however, there is no requirement for OCME employees to reside in the state.





Baltimore Museum of Art



M&T Stadium



Baltimore Symphony Orchestra

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Qualified Assistant Medical Examiner candidates must be board certified in anatomic and forensic pathology by the American Board of Pathology, as well as eligible for medical licensure in Maryland. We will consider applications from any FP who is in the process of completing the certification process. Maryland statute requires board certification within three years of hire.

The position includes standard state employee benefits (including children up to age 26); medical, leave, pension, deferred compensation, and compensatory leave for time worked over the usual 40 hour week. Free parking is supplied next to the facility and State employees ride MTA light rail and buses for free. The MEs are provided with the opportunity to get adjunct faculty positions at the University of Maryland and other schools. These positions provide additional benefits such as library access, and access to some of the UM facilities.

### Online Application

<https://www.jobapscloud.com/MD/?Keyword=assistant%20medical%20examiner&Loc=&DeptNumber=&Occlist=&JobType=&KeywordFullText=0>

This is a special appointment position. A resume must be attached to your application.

Online applications are highly recommended. However, a paper application may be submitted to Maryland Department of Health, Recruitment and Selection Division, 201 W. Preston St., Room 114-B, Baltimore, MD 21201. The paper application must be received by 5 pm, the close of business, on the closing date for the recruitment, no postmarks will be accepted.