Associate Medical Examiner

Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner’s Office

Salary: $350,000
The Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner’s Office is pleased to announce an opportunity to join four experienced board certified forensic pathologists in central Florida.

The Office of the Medical Examiner is located in sunny Lake County, a stone’s throw from Florida’s coastal beaches and theme parks. Home to more than 1,000 freshwater lakes and rivers, the districts offer a simple and natural view of “Old Florida”, with endless acres of preserves to include access to state parks, forests, a national wildlife refuge and one national forest. Lake County offers a low cost of living with no state income tax, and safe and friendly communities. The charming city of Mount Dora is well known for its top-rated art festival, fall craft festival, sailing regatta, antique shops, and award-winning cuisine, and nearby Tavares has evolved as a seaplane culture. Lake County is minutes away from the Orlando area attractions and the Orlando International Airport to the southeast, Tampa only slightly further to the southwest, Gainesville to the north, and both the Atlantic and Gulf coasts within a short day trip. The World Equestrian Center in Ocala is also within our districts.

The office is currently based in Lake County and has jurisdiction over Lake, Marion, Sumter, Citrus, Hernando, and Seminole counties, covering a large area of central Florida extending to the Gulf Coast. The area is well known for its citrus heritage, equestrian centers and numerous outdoor activities including freshwater and saltwater fishing.

The recent introduction of a web based case management system allows for the flexibility of working remotely when not scheduled to perform autopsies.

The pathologists are volunteer faculty with the University of Central Florida, and are regularly involved in educational activities including with the regional trauma center, child death review team, and law enforcement. Our population is growing, influenced both by expanding developments and by fluctuations in seasonal/non-permanent residents. The districts are currently in the selection process of a site to build a new facility in anticipation of further population growth and additional staffing.

**Duties include:**

- Performance of autopsies, external examinations, and records reviews to determine the cause and manner of death, pursuant to Florida State Statute, Chapter 406.
- Preparation of autopsy reports.
- Rotating on-call duties with other physicians on staff.
- Serving as an expert witness and providing testimony in trials, grand jury, depositions, and conferences with attorneys.
- Participating in conferences with family members, law enforcement, attorneys, and other individuals to provide information on investigations and autopsies.
- Training personnel as needed or requested.
- Providing educational lectures for students, law enforcement, and the general community.
- Reviewing cases that are reported in which jurisdiction is declined.
- Reviewing cremation requests.
- Maintaining educational knowledge related to forensic pathology and medicolegal death investigation.

**Compensation and benefits include:**

- Starting salary is $350,000 for applicants who are board-eligible in forensic pathology, with an increase upon obtaining forensic pathology board certification. The salary is negotiable for a board certified forensic pathologist based on experience and qualifications.
- Benefits include health and dental insurance, 401k with employer and employee contributions, an annual conference, annual dues to relevant organizations, licensure fees, and ample vacation
- Outside private consultation work is allowed.

**Minimum qualifications include:**

- Applicants are required to be board certified by the American Board of Pathology in Forensic Pathology, or become so within 2 years of hire.
- A Florida license to practice medicine
- A valid Florida driver’s license
- Pass a background check and pre-employment drug screen.

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