

ASSOCIATE STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER

IOWA OFFICE OF THE STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER (IOSME)

Starting Salary: \$275,000

Benefits: Full Medical and Dental insurance, Pension (Iowa Public Employee's Retirement System), 9 paid Holidays, accrued paid Vacation and Sick time, generous moving expenses package, annual paid attendance at national meetings.

The successful candidates will join a team of board-certified forensic pathologists in an office with a history of stability within the state. The office enjoys an atmosphere of collegiate professionals, a strong administration, competent and friendly support staff and NAME accreditation.

The IOSME is in Ankeny, Iowa, located 13 miles north of Des Moines, and services the entire state as the consultation and administrative headquarters of a state medical examiner system. The facility was built in 2005, providing a modern well-lit and ventilated autopsy suite.

The IOSME provides consultation and autopsy services to Iowa's 99 county medical examiner offices. The office performed 1,397 autopsies in 2021 and 1,680 cases in 2022. Night and weekend call volume is divided equally between the board-certified forensic pathologists. The number of night time calls typically is low, as county medical examiner offices perform scene visits and a majority of disposition decisions. Investigative support is excellent, with historical and photographic scene documentation performed at the county level. Complicated cases also benefit from support by the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation and consultations in Anthropology, Neuropathology, Odontology and Entomology.

Pathologists also have many opportunities to teach, both didactically and in the laboratory, with ongoing programs that include county medical examiner and law enforcement guidance as well as medical student and pathology resident education.



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IOSME Morgue



Outside IOSME



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QUALIFICATIONS

Medical Doctor (M.D.) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) required with a Fellowship in Forensic Pathology.

Requires board certification or eligibility by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology, and licensure to practice medicine in the state of Iowa.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Problem-solving skills, reporting, bloodstain analysis, analytical skills, crime scene reconstruction, case management, trial support, organization, objectivity, DNA analysis, autopsies, attention to detail, strong written and verbal communication.

BENEFITS

State of Iowa employee benefits includes:

- ▶ Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS)
- ▶ Retirement Investors Club (RIC) (Employer Sponsored Retirement Plan)
- ▶ Health, Dental and Vision Insurance
- ▶ Vacation Leave
- ▶ Sick Leave
- ▶ Paid Holidays (9 days/year)
- ▶ Flexible Spending Accounts
- ▶ Life Insurance
- ▶ Long-Term Disability Insurance

For detailed information please visit our website at

<https://das.iowa.gov/human-resources/employee-and-retiree-benefits/employees>

Community

The Des Moines metro is a great place to live and work. It is a place where you can find great jobs, fantastic schools, friendly communities, short commutes, and affordable living. **Forbes ranked Des Moines the #1 city in the nation for business and careers and the #1 place to raise a family**, while US News ranked us #3 for best affordable place to live. The Iowa Office of the State Medical Examiner is located on the campus of the Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) in Ankeny, Iowa. DMACC was recently ranked tenth nationally for community college value. Ankeny, a suburb of Des Moines, has been rated one of the most Playful Cities in the USA.

Des Moines is the fastest-growing metro in the Midwest for good reason. Des Moines has the culture without the cost. Art without the attitude. Travel without the traffic. Walkable without the worry. Des Moines is a clean, safe, inclusive and fun destination that is ready to welcome you.

Des Moines is just 2 hours away from Omaha, 3 hours from Kansas City and 3 ½ hours away from Minneapolis. Des Moines offers:

- ▶ A lower cost of living compared to other nearby metropolitan cities according to Forbes.com
- ▶ A safe place to live, ranked #2 by US News
- ▶ One of the best places to live in the US, ranked #13 of 150 by US News
- ▶ Over 800 miles of trails and internationally recognized festivals
- ▶ One of the nation's finest State Fairs and home to the Iowa Cubs
- ▶ Wells Fargo Arena, host site of NCAA Basketball and premier concerts
- ▶ Lauridsen Skatepark, the nation's largest skatepark

...and much more!

TO APPLY please send your resume and cover letter to Dennis Klein, M.D., State Medical Examiner, at dennis.klein@idph.iowa.gov

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