Chief Medical Examiner and Coroner

Hiring Agency: City and County of Denver – Department of Public Health and Environment, Office of the Medical Examiner

Location: Denver, Colorado

Salary

Competitive salary commensurate with education and experience.

Typical hiring range: \$243,897 - \$329,261 annually.

Starting Date

Position available upon selection and hiring.

Application Deadline / How to Apply

Applications will be accepted through September 21, 2025, at 11:59 PM.

Apply for Chief Medical Examiner and Coroner Position

Position Description

The Office of the Medical Examiner investigates all violent, suspicious, and unexpected natural deaths within the City and County of Denver. The Chief Medical Examiner and Coroner manages the function and operational activities of the forensic pathologists within the Office and serves as the City's chief authority on postmortem examinations.

Responsibilities include:

- Overseeing operations and activities of forensic pathologists.
- Performing autopsies and other postmortem examinations.
- Providing technical oversight, mentorship, and leadership in forensic pathology practices.
- Developing and administering policies, procedures, and performance criteria.
- Implementing quality assurance and improvement programs.
- Ensuring compliance with NAME accreditation standards.
- Sharing after-hours on-call duties.
- Participating in emergency preparedness and response activities.

Job Requirements

- Graduation from an approved school of medicine and completion of post-graduate training/fellowship approved by the American Board of Pathology.
- Minimum of three (3) years of full-time experience in forensic pathology.
- Board certification in Anatomic/Forensic Pathology or Anatomic/Clinical/Forensic Pathology.

- Possession of (or eligibility for) a license to practice medicine in Colorado at time of appointment.
- Residency in the City and County of Denver within six months of start of employment.
- Completion of the Denver Police Forensics & Evidence Division DNA consent form at hire.

Workload

The Chief Medical Examiner will conduct autopsies and postmortem examinations, share on-call responsibilities, and oversee forensic pathologists' work.

Benefits

- Pension after 5 years of service.
- 457B Retirement Plan.
- 140 hours of PTO in the first year.
- 12 paid holidays, 1 personal holiday, 1 wellness day, 1 volunteer day annually.
- Medical, dental, and vision plans effective within 1 month of start date.
- Furlough days may apply, based on salary tier.

Contact Information

For more information:

City and County of Denver – Department of Public Health and Environment Office of the Medical Examiner 500 Quivas Street Denver, CO 80204

Website: https://www.denvergov.org

DDPHE: Office of the Medical Examiner.

Email/Phone: There is no direct contact - candidates should apply online through the City and County of Denver website.