



**SOUTHWESTERN
INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES
Office of the Medical Examiner
Dallas County, Dallas, TX**



POSITION AVAILABLE

Medical Examiner

The Dallas County Office of the Medical Examiner is a NAME-accredited office housed within the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences, a fully-integrated building providing forensic services to a population of approximately 2.6 million individuals in the Dallas metropolitan area and to several other neighboring counties. This Medical Examiner position would be an addition to a current staff of 12 full-time Medical Examiners, 2 Forensic Pathology fellows, and ancillary staff consisting of 17 full-time Forensic Investigators, 10 full-time Autopsy Technicians, a full-time Forensic Anthropologist, and direct access to all Dallas County Forensic Science laboratories, Forensic Odontology, and Neuropathology through the UT Southwestern Department of Pathology. Our Forensic Pathology fellowship program is ACGME-accredited, thus the position also includes academic appointment and affiliation with the UT Southwestern Department of Pathology.

The starting date for this new position is pending receipt of Texas medical licensure.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Performing external examinations and/or autopsies of bodies, collecting specimens and evidentiary materials, and requesting/performing appropriate analyses to assist with determination of cause and manner of death and related medico-legal issues
- Preparing written opinion reports regarding case findings, including the interpretation of special analyses requests, and issuing death certificate
- Reviewing investigation reports provided by Field Agents (Forensic Investigators) to establish case jurisdiction and to make initial determination regarding course and scope of inquest
- Directing and closely supervising activities of support staff assisting with inquest
- Providing medical information and consultation services to families of decedents, legal community, and others regarding case findings
- Providing expert witness testimony in legal proceedings, as required
- Teaching of medical school students, pathology residents, and Forensic Pathology fellows
- Participating in relevant research and publication
- Presenting forensic pathology lectures to staff, medical students, and others

Our morgue accommodates up to 12 simultaneous autopsies, and radiologic imaging is performed using the Lodox® system. In 2021, our office performed roughly 5000 postmortem examinations with about 4000 of those being full autopsies (both external and internal examination), of which 1800 were from counties outside of Dallas county.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Medical Degree (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree from an accredited medical school with American Board of Pathology certification in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology
- Current or ability to obtain Full Texas Medical License (<https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing>)
- Must be approved by UT Southwestern Medical School

SALARY AND BENEFITS

\$259,008 – 289,479 depending on qualifications and experience with potential annual increases

Competitive and generous Health and Retirement Benefit packages available through Dallas County include:

- Medical, dental, and vision coverage with prescription plan
- Flexible Spending Account

- Disability and Life insurance
- Texas County and District Retirement System Program and Deferred Compensation Program

More information can be found at <https://www.dallascounty.org/departments/HR/benefits.php> and <https://www.dallascounty.org/departments/HR/retirement.php>.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Click to apply through Dallas County Human Resources:

<https://dallascounty.taleo.net/careersection/ex/jobdetail.ftl?job=23000214&tz=GMT-06%3A00&tzname=America%2FChicago>

Inquiries with attached curriculum vitae can also be submitted to Dr. Jessica Dwyer, Medical Examiner, at Jessica.Dwyer@dallascounty.org.

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