

ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER

★ PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON Current fellows are encouraged to apply.

PIERCE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE



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Apply online at www.piercecountywa.gov/ame



Salary \$209,687.10 - \$278,717.21

Salary package includes generous benefits and vacation accrual.

Minimum Qualifications

Certified as a forensic pathologist by the American Board of Pathology; or A qualified physician eligible to take the American Board of Pathology (ABP) exam in forensic pathology within one year of appointment. A physician specializing in pathology who is appointed to the position of Associate Medical Examiner - Forensic Pathologist and who is not certified as a forensic pathologist must pass the pathology exam within two years of the appointment.

Licenses or Certifications

Licensed as a Physician and Surgeon by the State of Washington. If not currently licensed by the State of Washington, Licensure must be obtained prior to the start of employment. If ABP certification is time-limited, must participate in American Board of Pathology Continuing Certification in Forensic Pathology.

Medical Examiner's Office

- Spacious light-filled office with windows and modern, new furnishings.
- + Partial teleworking is supported.
- Conveniently located stand-alone NAME-Accredited office with free on-site gated parking.
- + Courthouse and county offices 10-minute drive from the office.
- + Collaborative, friendly 24 member staff comprised of four teams: Investigations, Technical, Administrative and Pathology.
- + Annual office caseload estimated at 850+ Autopsy Equivalents (AE).
- + Locum's forensic pathologists and pathologist's assistants to assist with caseload.

Morgue and office space redesign underway for improved space utilization and added workstations.

New morgue coolers, IT CAT 5 to CAT 6 transition, and building generator replacement project underway.



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Expectations

- Conduct postmortem exams Monday through Friday, rarely weekends; determine cause and manner of death; write reports; testify in court; rotate on-call duties with two other board-certified pathologists who have 30+ combined years of experience.
- + Scene response by pathologist is rare.
- Maintain report turnaround times that meet or exceed NAME-Accreditation Standards.

State of the Art Technology

- New in-house designed case management system.
- + Private toxicology for pending cases.
- + Current Lodox full body x-ray system.
- + CT Scanner to be installed 2024.
- Office-issued laptop, iPad and iPhone.
- Access to area electronic medical records systems.
- Flexibility with Autopsy Report generation (In-house transcription, type your own, Dragon).



- National leader in collaboration with organ and tissue procurement agencies.
- Collaboration with cutting edge neuropathology researchers at the University of Washington.
- + Teaching relationship with Western University College of Osteopathic Medicine.
- In-house access to academic literature.
- Office-paid license renewal, Continuing Certification, CME and funds to attend national meetings.

Our Vision

The Pierce County Medical Examiner's Office has a regional reputation for excellence in professional and compassionate death investigations and postmortem examinations. This is accomplished through providing timely, accurate, and thorough services. Our office has a culture of teamwork, continuous improvement, and education. Learn more about the Medical Examiner's Office

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