

RUTHERFORD COUNTY IS HIRING A CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER/FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST



Chief Medical Examiner/Forensic Pathologist Salary: \$300,000*

*Board-certified in both Anatomic and Forensic Pathology

Rutherford County Regional Forensic Center and Medical Examiner Office

About the position:

- Rutherford County Government in Tennessee is actively recruiting for an experienced and visionary Forensic Pathologist for the Chief Medical Examiner position to lead the Office of the Medical Examiner at the new Regional Forensic Center (RFC), scheduled for completion in November 2026, in the city of Smyrna.
- Join a small, growing office with low current case volume and strong plans to expand into a transformative regional service.
- This Chief Medical Examiner role is a rare opportunity to shape a vital regional program from the ground up.
- Taking on this leadership position allows you to build a legacy by establishing the operational culture, workflows, and standards for a **brand-new, state-of-the-art, custom-engineered forensic facility** – Tennessee's 6th RFC.
 - **Build Your Team:** Recruit, mentor and organize the medical staff to match your professional standards.
 - **Shape Public Policy:** Advise local county leaders, health officials, and law enforcement on public safety and health trends.
 - **Drive Modernization:** Direct the deployment of state-of-the-art forensic technology, imaging systems, and data management tools.
 - **Community Trust:** Act as the primary, compassionate voice reassuring families and the community during critical investigations.
- Required to be or eligible to be a physician licensed to practice in Tennessee.

About Rutherford County:

- The geographic center of Tennessee is located within Rutherford County.
- Fast-growing, highly populated county in Middle Tennessee – the 4th largest.
- Located just 30 miles southeast of Nashville.
- Host to major manufacturing, healthcare and logistic employers, high-performing school districts and Middle Tennessee State University.
- Home to abundant parks and outdoor recreation - The Greenways Network, water recreation at Stones River and Percy Priest Lake, community and sports facilities.
- Endless opportunities for family fun, exceptional dining, unique shopping, and world-class entertainment.

Additional Information:

- Tennessee is an income tax free state.
- Great benefits package, including the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) defined benefit plan with lifetime pension and survivor and disability benefits for employees and beneficiaries.
- Preparations are currently in progress to seek NAME accreditation.
- Rutherford County, Tennessee, is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Our team of experienced, ABMDI-certified investigators and operations professionals stands ready to provide immediate support.

Questions? Please contact Denise Martin, JD, F-ABMDI at dmartin@rutherfordcountyttn.gov

If you are ready to lead the Rutherford County Medical Examiner's Office, please submit your application package for consideration: <https://rutherfordcountyttn.mysmarthire.com/jobs/>



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