



Deputy State Medical Examiner



**OPEN POSITIONS IN
CENTRAL POINT,
CLACKAMAS & EUGENE**

**OREGON STATE POLICE
SCIENCE & TECHNICAL SERVICES BUREAU**

The Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office has current openings for one forensic pathologist each in our Central Point, Clackamas (Portland metro area), and Eugene locations.

Annual Salary: \$305,724 - \$337,068

7.5% added to base pay with board certification | 4% COLA in 2027

Application Deadline: March 10, 2027

The recruitment will remain open until March 10, 2027, or until filled. Applications will be reviewed every two weeks beginning September 25, 2026. The recruitment may be closed at any time after the review date. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply early.

Qualifications

Graduation from an approved medical school with an MD or DO. Board certification or eligibility in anatomic pathology or anatomic/clinical pathology from the American Board of Pathology at hire, with board certification in forensic pathology required within two years. Must hold, or be eligible to obtain, an Oregon medical license at the time of hire.

Benefits

- Generous annual paid time off
- Medical, dental, vision, and life insurance
- Oregon PERS retirement
- Optional deferred compensation
- Opportunities to expand technical and professional skills
- Meaningful work and work/life balance

About the Position

Deputy State Medical Examiners provide forensic pathology services at three locations: Central Point, Clackamas (Portland metro area), and Eugene. The State Medical Examiner's Office is currently recruiting one forensic pathologist for each location.

CENTRAL POINT

This position serves six rural Southern Oregon counties from a new 10,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art autopsy facility in Central Point. The successful candidate will work closely with the Chief Medical Examiner to support outreach to local counties and help refine operations as the facility continues to grow.

[Apply for Central Point](#)

CLACKAMAS

Our main facility in Clackamas, Oregon, serves Northwest Oregon, the Central Willamette Valley, Central Oregon, and Eastern Oregon and performs approximately 75% of the state's forensic autopsies. The facility is co-located with the Portland branch of the Oregon State Police Forensic Services Division, which offers a full range of forensic disciplines, including toxicology.

[Apply for Clackamas](#)

EUGENE

A new, state-of-the-art facility is under development in Eugene and is expected to open in early 2029. This will be the first forensic pathologist position at the site, with long-term planning for additional pathologists and pathologist assistants. Until the new facility opens, autopsies will be performed at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at Riverbend in Springfield, with office space provided at a nearby OSP facility.

[Apply for Eugene](#)

Each position includes performing autopsies, providing expert medical consultation, preparing reports for death investigations, and delivering training to law enforcement agencies, county medical examiners, district attorneys, and medicolegal death investigators. Our forensic pathologists are supported by skilled autopsy technicians and a dedicated administrative team.

Toxicology testing is performed by the Oregon State Police Forensic Services Division, an ANAB-accredited laboratory.

The Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office offers paid licensure renewals, CME, professional memberships, annual conference attendance, and generous relocation reimbursement.

Forensic pathology fellows are encouraged to apply. Fellows selected for the Eugene or Central Point positions will begin their employment at the Clackamas facility, working closely with senior forensic pathologists to learn Oregon's system and build the skills needed for independent practice. After demonstrating competency, the fellow will transition to their permanent assignment. This training period is expected to last about one year, though it may be shorter depending on the candidate's progress and comfort level.



About Oregon

Oregon offers an exceptional quality of life with remarkable natural beauty, vibrant communities, and endless opportunities for adventure. From the rugged Pacific coastline and Cascade Mountains to high desert landscapes, forests, rivers, and renowned wine country, Oregon provides something for every lifestyle.

Residents enjoy year-round recreation including hiking, skiing, cycling, fishing, camping, boating, and exploring the state's many parks and scenic destinations. With diverse communities, outstanding local food and agriculture, and easy access to both outdoor adventure and urban amenities, Oregon is an extraordinary place to build a career, establish roots, and enjoy life beyond the workplace.

Central Point | Southern Oregon



Located in the heart of Southern Oregon's Rogue Valley, Central Point offers an exceptional combination of natural beauty, outdoor recreation, and quality of life. Surrounded by mountains, rivers, vineyards, and scenic open spaces, the area provides year-round opportunities for hiking, fishing, rafting, skiing, cycling, and exploring the outdoors. Just minutes from Medford and within easy reach of destinations such as Crater Lake National Park and the communities of Ashland and Jacksonville, Central Point offers the convenience of a regional hub while maintaining the welcoming feel and relaxed pace of a smaller community.

Clackamas | Portland Metro Area



Located at the confluence of the Willamette and Columbia Rivers, the Portland metro area offers a blend of natural beauty and urban energy. Framed by forested hills, waterfront trails, and views of nearby Mount Hood, the region provides year-round opportunities for hiking, cycling, paddling, and exploring the outdoors. Portland's diverse neighborhoods, thriving arts scene, and renowned food culture create a dynamic and welcoming environment. As Oregon's largest urban hub, the Portland metro area combines the convenience and amenities of a major city with the strong community feel and accessible nature that define the Pacific Northwest.

Eugene | Willamette Valley



Located in Oregon's scenic Willamette Valley, Eugene offers a unique combination of natural beauty, outdoor recreation, arts and culture, and an active, welcoming community. Home to the University of Oregon, the area offers the energy and amenities of a university city while maintaining easy access to rivers, forests, mountains, and the Oregon Coast. Residents enjoy exceptional opportunities for hiking, running, cycling, fishing, skiing, and exploring the outdoors, along with a vibrant local food, craft beverage, and arts scene. With the Cascade Mountains to the east and the Pacific Ocean to the west.