

National Medicolegal Death Investigation Professionals Week January 21 – 27, 2024

The National Association of Medical Examiners is proud to honor and celebrate its members, its partners, and all MDI professionals during this National Medicolegal Death Investigation Professionals Week from January 21 – 27, 2024. NAME Members include medicolegal death investigators, coroners, medical examiners, forensic pathologists, epidemiologists, support personnel, and all other dedicated and skilled professionals who play a crucial and often underrecognized role in public health and public safety.

The work of NAME's Ad Hoc Medicolegal Death Investigation Committee demonstrates NAME's commitment to building well-resourced and supported medicolegal death investigation systems. The NAME Ad Hoc MDI committee continues to work to develop educational opportunities, resources, and multi-disciplinary collaborations to leverage the voice of medicolegal death investigation professionals in advocacy, resourcing, and policy development.

Through the COVID-19 pandemic, the opioid/polydrug epidemic, mass fatality tragedies, and the daily occurrence of death that touches all of humankind, the medicolegal death professionals respond, investigate, inform, report, testify, and comfort families and loved ones left behind. The forensic pathology and MDI workforce shortage, which NAME works daily to publicize and remedy, makes the sacrifices born by MDI professionals all the greater. During this Medicolegal Death Investigation Professionals Week and for all the days beyond, the National Association of Medical Examiners honors and thanks every professional working in the medicolegal death investigation field.