## Appointments are subject to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval

# OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE

Civil Service Title: Medicolegal Investigator Level: I

Title Code No: 53299 Salary: \$76,550 (Incumbent Rate)

\$88,973 (Maximum)

Office Title: Medicolegal Investigator Work Location: OCME - Citywide

**Division/Work Unit:** Investigations

Number of Positions: 1

Hours/Shift: Forty hours per week; scheduled 4-5 days out of a seven day work week including evening, nights, weekends and

holidays.

# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

OCME seeks a candidate who will possess minimally the technical skills listed and also the potential to exemplify this agency's core values of "Integrity, Dedication and putting the Agency First". The candidate will conduct death investigations that result from criminal violence, suicide, mechanical, environmental or industrial accidents, deaths in correctional facilities, sudden deaths unattended by a physician, deaths occurring as a complication of therapeutic procedures, and any deaths that occur in an unnatural or suspicious manner. The selected candidate will be responsible for writing reports, obtaining medical records or other hospital specimens pertaining to the death investigation, and performing follow-up investigations on behalf of Medical Examiners as requested. Additional responsibilities include interviewing witnesses to obtain information, observing the death scene and preparing detailed descriptions, examining and taking possession of bodies, and supervising their transport to the Medical Examiner's Office. The candidate will identify and establish evidentiary value of items and determine which items are to be taken into evidence; document evidence and direct its removal, while safeguarding its quality; establish and maintain chain of custody of evidence; obtain or coordinate positive identification through visual recognition, x-ray, dental records, descriptive evidence, and fingerprint records. He/she will identify immediate life threatening conditions and take/coordinate action to remove hazards. He/she will testify in court and provide information to family and authorized others as to cause of death, manner and circumstances as determined, thus providing counseling, understanding, and education. The candidate should be comfortable with basic typing/computer skills and photography.

#### QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. A New York State license as a Physician Assistant with current Registration Certificate issued by New York State; plus either
  - **a.** Certification as a Physician Assistant by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) and two years of full-time satisfactory experience as a registered Physician Assistant; or
  - **b.** Four years of experience as a registered Physician Assistant.

#### Note:

Possession of an advance degree in a health related field, or acceptable health related work experience prior to physician assistant education, may be substituted for up to six months of experience as a registered Physician Assistant.

2. A current New York State license to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse, plus four years of full-time satisfactory experience as a Registered Nurse Practitioner.

A valid New York City Driver's License is required. The license, certification and registration must be maintained for the duration of the employment.

## SPECIAL NOTE

- 1. Selected candidates will be required to provide a DNA sample by swabbing.
- 2. Possession of the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators (ABMDI) registry level certification or willingness to seek ABMDI registry level certification during the first year of employment.

#### TO APPLY, PLEASE SUBMIT RESUME AND COVER LETTER TO:

https://a127-jobs.nyc.gov

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