

**OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE**

Office Title: Physician Assistant/Medicolegal Investigator
Title Code No: 53299

Level: I
Salary: \$76,550 (Incumbent Rate)
\$88,973 (Maximum)

Division/Work Unit: Investigations

Work Location: OCME - Citywide

Number of Positions: 8

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

The Office of Chief Medical Examiner investigates cases of persons who die within New York City from criminal violence, by accident, by suicide, suddenly when in apparent health, when unattended by a physician, in a correctional facility or in any suspicious or unusual manner or where an application is made pursuant to law for a permit to cremate a body of a person.

We exist to provide answers in support of families, victims and community during times of profound need.

JOB DESCRIPTION

The selected 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.
 3. **This position has been identified as "essential." During emergency events, "essential" positions may require 24-hour availability.**
 4. **As posted, this position is EXEMPT from the NYC residency requirement.**
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TO APPLY, PLEASE SUBMIT RESUME AND COVER LETTER TO:

<https://a127-jobs.nyc.gov>

POST DATE: February 10, 2015	POST UNTIL: Until Filled	Job Opening# 183876
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