

# invites applications for the position of: Associate Medical Examiner - Temporary -Daytona Beach, FL

COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

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**SALARY:** Depends on Qualifications

**OPENING DATE:** 06/02/15 **CLOSING DATE:** Continuous

MAJOR FUNCTIONS:

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The Volusia County Medical Examiner Office provides medico-legal death investigation services for Seminole and Volusia Counties in Central Florida, serving a population of approximately 1 million people. Approximately 7,000 deaths are reviewed annually and jurisdiction is accepted in approximately 1,000. In calendar year 2013, the office certified 919 deaths and conducted approximately 620 autopsies. The Volusia County Medical Examiner Office is accredited by the National Association of Medical Examiners.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Medical Examiner's Office is located at 1360 Indian Lake Road, Daytona Beach, Florida, 32124. There are 47 miles of Atlantic Ocean beaches and numerous natural resources with State parks and inland waterways. Rich in diversity, culture and the arts, Volusia County is home to the Daytona Beach Symphony Society, Daytona Beach Civic Ballet and Concert Showcase. Volusia County is also home to the world famous Daytona International Speedway (NASCAR racing), Stetson University, Daytona State College, Embry-Riddle University, Bethune Cookman University and the University of Central Florida (Daytona Beach campus). Volusia County is about an hour's drive north of Disney World, Universal Studios, and Sea World and is within a few hours drive of other beautiful major Florida cities and communities.

#### **ILLUSTRATIVE DUTIES:**

Volusia County is seeking a Forensic Pathologist to serve as an Associate Medical Examiner in accordance with Chapter 406, Florida Statute and Chapter 11G, Florida Administrative Code. The preferred candidate will have Medical Examiner experience and board certification in forensic pathology.

This is a highly responsible position and successful applicants will be expected to perform postmortem examinations, document findings in narrative reports, take overnight calls from

investigations staff, offer objective consultation to outside agencies, including criminal court officials and law enforcement, and provide criminal trial testimony. The successful applicant must be able to interact with family members and the public in a compassionate and respectful manner.

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Graduation from an accredited school of medicine or osteopathy and completion of at least one (1) year of forensic pathology training and possession of an unrestricted active license to practice medicine or osteopathy in the State of Florida as required by the Florida Department of Health. Must be certified by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic Pathology and Forensic Pathology. Must possess and maintain a valid Florida driver's license or obtain one by date of hire.

### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

- Considerable knowledge of all federal, state and local regulatory requirements applicable to vital statistics recordation, laboratory operations, public records laws and rules of evidence.
- Considerable knowledge in the use of computers in order to utilize word and database software.
- Considerable knowledge of established policies for deciding jurisdiction of cases, as well as investigative procedures for determining causes and manner of death.
- Considerable knowledge of death scene investigation procedures.
- Considerable knowledge of established laws, regulations, rules, policies and procedures governing the receipt. storage and release of bodies.
- Considerable knowledge of the principles, practices, instruments and methods used in the collection and processing of post-mortem evidence.
- Considerable knowledge of the procedures involved in detecting, analyzing, evaluating and interpreting manifestations and symptoms of physical conditions from pathological examinations.
- Considerable knowledge of microscopy, toxicology, ballistics and investigative techniques as they relate to forensic medicine. Considerable knowledge of rules of evidence as they apply to the preservation of specimens from a post-mortem examination.
- Able to understand, anticipate and control legal liabilities for the County and the public.
- Able to maintain a sense of caring for the survivors' emotional well being.
- Able to promote a sense of teamwork to maintain good communication between all members of the office so that details are not overlooked.
- Able to deal objectively and effectively with the emotional stress generated by dealing with death daily and working long hours occasionally under adverse conditions.
- Able to effectively present findings in court in a logical manner and appropriately respond to and address questions.
- Skilled in the use of microscopes, surgical tools and other equipment used in examinations and investigations.
- Skill in the performance of autopsy techniques.

## ADA REQUIREMENTS:

**Physical Demands:** Ability to traverse rough, wooded terrain without vehicle assistance. Ability to stand for extended periods of time. Stooping, kneeling, crouching, climbing,

handling, reaching, fingering, feeling, talking and visual acuity, far and near; depth perception with correction peripheral vision..

**Environmental Demands:** Inside work with occasional outside in heat, cold, wind, rain and humidity. Contact with water and other liquids, fumes and odors, and dust.

**Mental Demands**: Algebra, read periodicals, technical journals, manuals. Writing technical reports for presentation to court of law; speaking extemporaneously on variety of subjects

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT: http://www.volusia.org/personnel Job #TEMP May 2015 ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER - TEMPORARY - DAYTONA BEACH, FL CG

OUR OFFICE IS LOCATED AT: 230 North Woodland Blvd Suite 262 DeLand, FL 32720 386-736-5951 personnel@volusia.org

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# Associate Medical Examiner - Temporary - Daytona Beach, FL Supplemental Questionnaire

- \* 1. Have you completed at least one year of forensic pathology training?
  ❑Yes ❑No
- \* 2. If "Yes", indicate the name of the institution or program and the number of years of forensic pathology training you have completed. If "No", briefly explain indicate why you feel you are qualified for the Associate Medical Examiner position.
- \* 3. Do you possess an active current license to practice medicine in the State of Florida issued by the Florida Board of Medicine or the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine?
   ❑Yes ❑No
- \* 4. Are you certified by the American Board of Pathology in Forensic Pathology?
  ❑Yes ❑No
- \* 5. Do you possess a valid Florida driver's license?

□Yes □No

\* 6. If "No", indicate whether or not you anticipate obstacles to obtaining a Florida driver's license by date of hire (if selected)?

□Yes □No

\* 7. Please, provide a brief statement addressing your interest in this Temporary Associate Medical Examiner position in Volusia County, Florida. Please include your goals as a forensic pathologist/medical examiner and areas of special interest, if any.

\* Required Question