Maryland Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

Location: Baltimore, MD
Year Fellowship established: 1959 (ACGME accredited 1972)
ME staff: 1 Chief ME, 2 Deputy Chief MEs, 10 Assistant MEs (plus utilize per diem FPs)
Fellows per year: 4 ACGME accredited positions

The Maryland OCME was established in 1939 as the nation’s first statewide medical examiner system and is home to one of the longest running forensic pathology fellowship programs in the United States. Maryland has varied geography and climate, with both urban and rural settings, which ensures a great variety of interesting cases to investigate and learn from. We are a family of death care professionals committed to the training and support of our forensic pathology fellows, who are the heart of our office. We are also a food-centric office that embraces everything that the mid-Atlantic has to offer (all things crab and Old Bay, BBQ, and Berger cookies)! Our traditions include the annual holiday party, fellows’ welcome breakfast, numerous potlucks throughout the year, fellows’ graduation lunch/dinner, and honoring our FP mentors with some pretty awesome t-shirts. Come train with us in Charm City!

- Population of Maryland: 6 million
- Counties served: 23 counties and Baltimore City
- 17,000-18,000 cases investigated with 6,000 postmortem examinations annually
Residents, medical students, and occasional away rotators rotate through the office from local institutions (University of Maryland, Johns Hopkins, Walter Reed Medical Center, and Howard University).

**Imaging capabilities and available in-house labs:**

- Lodox and CT on-site
- In-house toxicology and histology laboratories
- Access to multiple consultants, who contribute to fellow education: neuropathology, eye pathology, cardiovascular pathology, odontology, and anthropology
- Excellent professional relationship with regional organ and tissue procurement agency (Infinite Legacy Foundation)