

# Locum Tenens Forensic Pathologists

Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office

Reno, Nevada



**Now seeking Locum Tenens forensic pathologists to assist the full-time Medical Examiners with a growing caseload in Reno, NV, on a contract basis.**

## **ABOUT THE WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE**

The Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office (WCRMEO) serves 20 counties in Northern Nevada and California. The staff enjoy a brand new, state-of-the-art, modern medical examiner facility. The office operates with a full-time staff of 21 plus additional part-time investigative staff. All Medicolegal Death Investigators are cross trained in investigations and as autopsy assistants; full-time employees are ABMDI-certified. In 2020, 5,920 deaths were reported to the WCRMEO with 1,259 examinations performed. Annual caseloads have grown at a rate of 2-11% over the past decade as population in the region grows, though 2020 brought a 16.5% increase (only a portion of which was directly attributable to COVID-19).

## **LOCUM TENENS POSITION INFORMATION AND COMPENSATION**

- ❖ Successful candidates will be **paid on a per-examination basis**: \$1,000 per autopsy performed, \$600 per limited autopsy (head-only cases, relatively uncommon), and \$400 per external examination. An additional \$1,000 "bonus" for prompt completion of paperwork may be billed after completion of each 15 examination reports returned to the WCRMEO within 60 days of the examination. Additional reimbursement consists of government rate **reimbursement for travel, hotel, per diem, and car rental costs if incurred.**
- ❖ Locum Tenens pathologists will cover only routine, non-criminal autopsies each day. Staff pathologists typically cover any homicides, traffic fatalities with charges pending, suspicious or high-profile deaths, or skeletal remains, and cover on-call duty. A daily on-duty staff pathologist will determine jurisdiction and level of examination for all cases and make examination assignments at a morning briefing.

## **EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

- ❖ Graduation from an accredited school of medicine and possession of (or eligibility to obtain prior to start date) a current license to practice medicine in the state of Nevada
- ❖ Experience in forensic pathology, to include completion of an accredited fellowship in forensic pathology .
- ❖ Certification by the American Board of Pathology in forensic pathology, or board-eligible in forensic pathology if recent fellowship graduate.

## **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

- ❖ Possess a current license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada.
- ❖ Reference and background checks will be conducted on selected applicants.
- ❖ Candidates should have the ability to work at least 4 consecutive days per trip if non-local.
- ❖ Locum tenens pathologists must provide evidence of Nevada malpractice insurance coverage.

**Applicants may submit a Curriculum Vitae to Dr. Laura Knight, Chief Medical Examiner, at [ldknight@washoecounty.us](mailto:ldknight@washoecounty.us).**