



MEDICOLEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATOR (HELP)**

Department of Health
Salary Range: \$59,005

**This title is part of the New York Hiring for Emergency Limited Placement Statewide Program (NY HELPS). For the duration of the NY HELPS Program, this title may be filled via a non-competitive appointment, which means no examination is required but all candidates must meet the minimum qualifications of the title for which they apply.

This position is responsible for investigating sudden, unnatural, suspicious, or violent deaths. Conducting investigations will include interviewing witnesses, recording detailed observations of the scene, obtaining physical and trace evidence and conducting follow-up investigations. This position will also act as a liaison between the Dutchess County Medical Examiner's Office, law enforcement, other investigative agencies, families of decedents, and the general public. The work is performed under the general direction of a higher level supervisor with considerable leeway for the exercise of independent judgement. Supervision is not a function of this position. Lastly, the Medicolegal Death Investigator must be able to work weekends, holiday, evenings and other than normal work schedules.

To view a complete list of job duties, click [here](#).

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- EITHER: (A) Bachelor's Degree in Pre-Med, Medical Technology, Criminal Justice, Nursing, Medicolegal Death Investigation, Forensic Science, or related field;
- OR: (B) Associate's Degree or certification from the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators (ABMDI) and two (2) years of full-time paid work Experience as a Medicolegal Death Investigator, Police Officer, Paramedic, Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, or Funeral Director;
- OR: (C) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and four (4) years of full-time paid work experience as a Medicolegal Death Investigator, Police Officer, Paramedic, Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, or Funeral Director;
- OR: (D) An equivalent combination of education, training and experience between the limits of (A) and (C) above.

NOTE: Your degree or college credit must have been awarded by a college or university accredited by a regional, national, or specialized agency recognized as an accrediting agency by the U.S. Department of Education/U.S. Secretary of Education.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of a valid Driver License to operate a motor vehicle in New York State at time of application and to maintain position.

FINGERPRINTING: A fingerprint supported background investigation is required before an appointment is made to some positions. Pursuant to New York State Executive Law, the Division of Criminal Justice Services requires that a fee accompany each such request for a search. It is due once a job offer is made and accepted by the applicant.

For immediate consideration, submit an application on or before 12/31/2026.

Apply online at www.dutchessny.gov/jobs

OR

Download an application from www.dutchessny.gov/jobs

and mail it to the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources, 22 Market Street,
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
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