

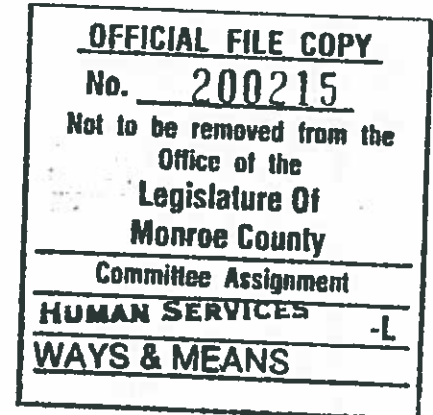


Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

June 5, 2020



To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Authorize a Contract with the University of Rochester for Support of the Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program at the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize a contract with the University of Rochester, in an amount not to exceed \$41,500, for support of the Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program at the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner, for the period of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Under the terms of this contract, the Office of the Medical Examiner (OME) will provide a one-year fellowship term for one physician seeking board examination eligibility. During the rotation, the knowledge and skills of the fellow, selected by the OME from candidates vetted by the University of Rochester and then maintained under the University of Rochester Human Resources and Graduate Medical Education Departments, will be enhanced and expanded through this additional education in the specialized field of forensic medicine. The fellowship will provide opportunities to learn, in part, about the Coroner and Medical Examiner system in New York State, the principles of death certification and the role of forensic disciplines. Additionally, at the completion of the fellowship program, the fellow would be eligible for the Forensic Pathology Board Certification Examination. The fellowship program is twelve (12) months in length and the actual program end date is June 30, 2021. It is anticipated that a subsequent request for authorization through June 30, 2021 will be made at the end of 2020.

To establish the fellowship, OME must partner with an institution that offers Graduate Medical Education Programs in the closely related field of Medical Clinical Pathology. It has been determined that the University of Rochester is a sole source provider for the Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program.

The specific legislative action required is to authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract, and any amendments thereto, with the University of Rochester, 601 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, New York 14642, for support of the Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program at the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner, in the amount of \$41,500, for the period of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c) and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this contract is included in the 2020 operating budget of the Department of Public Health, general fund 9001, funds center 5804010000, Forensic Path/Admin. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

The University of Rochester is a not-for-profit entity, and the records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that it does not owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,



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