

As Of <= 12/31/2024

## Medical Examiner Department

The mission of the Medical Examiner Department is to provide accurate, timely, dignified, compassionate and professional death investigative services for the citizens of Miami-Dade County, together with education, consultation and research for local and national medical, legal, academic and law enforcement communities.

**Owner:** Hutchins, Kenneth (ME)  
**Department:** Medical Examiner

Perspective Name	Objective Name	Measure Name	Last Period Updated		Actual	Target	Actual FYTD	FYTD Goal	
Customer	Maintain all available certifications in order to provide professional service in support of Statutory Mandate (FS Chapter 406)	Percent of staff doctors meeting case load (NAME Accreditation) guidelines	2024 FY	🔴	50%	100%	50%	100%	🔴
		Percent Staff Pathologist Meeting Florida Association of Medical Examiners Autopsy Case Load Guidelines	2024 FY	🟢	67%	100%	67%	100%	🟢
		Percentage of all death investigations performed by the department that are certified as to cause and manner of death within 90 days	Dec '24	🟡	87%	90%	86%	90%	🟡
		Death investigations completed within 60 days	Dec '24	🟡	81%	90%	80%	90%	🟡
		Autopsies performed within 72 hours	Dec '24	🟡	99%	90%	99%	90%	🟡
		National Association of Medical Examiners - Performance Measure: 90% of autopsies and external examinations performed within 48 hours from the time that medical examiner jurisdiction is accepted or coroner's authorization is granted, or within 48 hours of	Dec '24	🟡	98	90	96	90	🟡
	Provide timely service to meet certification standards and/or support Statutory Mandate (FS Chapter 406)	Autopsy protocol preparation time (calendar days)	Dec '24	🔴	34	14	21	14	🟡
		Forensic Evidence Recovery Team - Average Arrival Response Time (Minutes)	Dec '24	🟢	59	60	n/a	n/a	
		Number of decedents released to funeral homes within 90 days from the date of receipt to the Medical Examiner Department	Dec '24	🟢	6	90	8	90	🟢
		90 % of autopsies or external examinations performed with religious objections within twenty-four hours (Engagement)	Dec '24	🔴	81	90	76	90	🔴
		Forensic Evidence Recovery Team (FERT) 60-minute response rate	Dec '24	🟢	92 %	90 %	91 %	90 %	🟢
		Number of Medicolegal Scene Calls per Month	Dec '24	🔴	4	11	9	33	🔴
	Provide accurate service in support of Statutory Mandate (FS Chapter 406)	Toxicology case turnaround time (in days)	Dec '24	🟡	39	35	34	35	🟢
		Indigent cremation service cases processed annually	2025 FY	🔴	206	860	206	860	🔴
		Crime scene investigations conducted by Medical Examiners	2025 FY	🟢	11	101	11	101	🟢
		Body count in refrigerated storage	Dec '24	🔴	145	125	139	125	🔴
	Maintain contingency space for mass fatality scenario.	Expen: Total (Medical Examiner)	'25 FQ1	🟢	\$3,881K	\$4,496K	\$3,881K	\$4,496K	🟢
		Revenue: Total (Medical Examiner)	'25 FQ1	🔴	\$212K	\$4,496K	\$212K	\$4,496K	🔴
Financial	Meet Budget Targets (Medical Examiner)	Positions: Full-Time Filled (ME)	'25 FQ1	🔴	85	93	n/a	n/a	
Internal	Accurately monitor current activity and estimate future service demand.	Toxicology Case Requests Processed (ME District 11, Miami-Dade)	Dec '24	🟡	165	220	517	660	🟡
		Deaths Certified Annually (Autopsies, External Examinations, Skeletal Examinations and Telephone Cases)	2025 FY	🟢	1,178	2,663	1,178	2,663	🟢
		Body Disposition Requests Processed /Approved per Florida Statute	2025 FY	🔴	6,405	12,178	6,405	12,178	🔴
		Death investigations conducted	2024 FY	🟢	15,757	17,000	15,757	17,000	🟢
		Autopsies Performed Annually (Fiscal)	2024 FY	🟢	1,750	1,793	1,750	1,793	🟢
		Toxicology tests (assays) performed	2025 FY	🔴	8,096	13,000	8,096	13,000	🔴

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\* - This measure has been annualized to match the fiscal year-to-date total for this report. This year-to-date measure is configured based on the calendar year.

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