
MEDICAL EXAMINER (600)

Funds pay for the contracted services of a medical examiner. The responsibility of this service provider is to review and evaluate the causes of suspicious deaths in Pender County and to report the findings to the appropriate authorities. The contractor conducts independent autopsies when warranted.

HISTORY: The average cost for this service is either \$75 or \$1,000 per autopsy, depending on whether or not the deceased is sent to a pathology lab. This is a cost center which is difficult to control. In fact, small budget ordinance amendments need to be prepared prior to June 30 so that this account does not exceed its appropriation.

FY 07-08: Pender Memorial Hospital stopped accepting D.O.A.'s in 05-06.

Expenditures:

	Actual FY05-06	Approved 06-07	Budget as Amended 06-07*	Agency Request 07-08	Manager Recommends 07-08	Board Approved 07-08
	\$15,850	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	

* Revised as of 2/28/07