

Report of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Pathobiology section

Most Critical Issues affecting Forensic Pathology

- Shortage of forensic pathologists
- Opioid death surge (which adds to the stress of the shortage)
- Lack of funding for capital expenditures (radiology equipment such as low-dose digital full body x-rays and CT)
- Lack of consistent practices in death investigation between jurisdictions

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Forensic pathologists are in the Path/Bio section, along with Biological forensic science.

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Membership in AAFS Pathology / Biology Section: 1,024 Total

Applicant	23
Associate Member	436
Fellow	213
Member	198
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