

# UF Health Pathology Laboratories

## Autopsy Services

- ▶ Adhering to the highest levels of expertise and service, University of Florida Health Pathology Laboratories partners with UF Health Autopsy Services to make contract autopsy services available for hospitals and decedents' next-of-kin throughout Florida.
- ▶ Board-certified in forensic pathology, Wendy Stroh, DO, is the UF Health Pathology Laboratories director of autopsy services and also the associate medical examiner for the Florida District 8 Medical Examiner's Office.
- ▶ Our autopsies are performed by experienced pathologists who specialize in determining decedents' cause of death.
- ▶ Decedents are examined in a clean, well-lit morgue that was recently renovated with state-of-the-art examination equipment.
- ▶ Expert consultation is available from subspecialty-certified pediatric pathologists and more than 30 expert subspecialty pathologists in the UF Department of Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine.
- ▶ Autopsies can be customized to meet the needs of families and physicians.
- ▶ UF Health Pathology Laboratories' expert autopsy physicians are readily available for consultations.



### Services

Autopsies are performed at UF Health Shands Hospital and can be scheduled as soon as all autopsy request forms are completed and received. We promptly dispatch a transportation team for all service requests. Additionally, our physicians can review autopsy requests and medical records at any time, including holidays.

Once in our custody, decedents are examined in a state-of-the-art morgue that exceeds all national standards for security, safety and biologic containment. Most of our autopsies take between two and four hours to be completed, depending on case complexity.

### Transportation

UF Health Autopsy Services can arrange transportation for decedents for an additional charge, which is dependent on mileage.



*Diagnosics. Done right.*

## Forensic, Pediatric and Private Autopsies | Toxicology Analysis | Neuropathology Examination

### Complete Autopsy

(includes adult, pediatric and stillborn)

- Review of all medical records
- Routine histology
- Neuropathology examination
- Toxicology screening (as applicable)

### Autopsy: Neuropathology Examination Only

- Neuropathology examination of brain and/or spinal cord, including gross and microscopic examination
- Expert neuropathologists perform examination

### Autopsy: Limited Examination

- Review of medical records
- Directed examination and review of a single organ or organ system

### Third-Party Autopsy Review and Consultation

- Review of all available decedent medical records
- Review of all decedent organs and tissue obtained from third-party medical facilities

- UF Health Autopsy Services can perform multiple autopsies a day.
- Autopsies are performed at a recently renovated state-of-the-art morgue with a large, refrigerated autopsy storage area.
- Clean and spacious, the autopsy suite is equipped with a specialized ventilation system and downdraft examination tables, which eliminate airborne pathogens.
- Our service has direct access to all necessary ancillary studies.

### Timely Reporting

**Preliminary Reports: 48 hours**

**Final Reports: 30 business days**



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**Director,**  
**UF Health**  
**Autopsy Services**

For more information on Dr. Stroh and to view or download a copy of her curriculum vitae, visit: [pathlabs.ufl.edu/team/pathologists/stroh](http://pathlabs.ufl.edu/team/pathologists/stroh)

<b>2015–Present</b>	Autopsy services director	UF Health Autopsy Services, Gainesville, Florida
<b>2015–Present</b>	Associate medical examiner	Office of the Medical Examiner, District 8, Gainesville, Florida
<b>2008–15</b>	Associate medical examiner	Office of the Medical Examiner, Districts 3 and 4, Jacksonville, Florida
<b>2007–11</b>	Autopsy pathologist	Private contractor, Florida
<b>2007–09</b>	Interim associate medical examiner	Office of the Medical Examiner, District 23, Saint Augustine, Florida
<b>2006–07</b>	Fellowship, forensic pathology	Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Richmond, Virginia
<b>1991–96</b>	Residency, anatomic and clinical pathology	Naval Medical Center San Diego, San Diego, California
<b>1981–85</b>	Doctor of Osteopathy degree	New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, Maine
<b>1975–79</b>	Bachelor of Science degree (industrial relations)	Southeastern Massachusetts University, North Dartmouth, Massachusetts

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