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LOCAL LAW 5 - 2019

A LOCAL LAW RELATING TO CERTAIN FEES COLLECTED BY THE ONONDAGA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE CENTER FOR FORENSIC SCIENCES FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER AND FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES, AND FURTHER AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 6-2018

BE IT ENACTED BY THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Collection Authorized.

Local Law No. 13-2016, amended by Local Law No. 10-2017 and Local Law No. 6-2018, established a fee schedule for services performed through the Center for Forensic Sciences, collected by the Onondaga County Commissioner of Health, and it is necessary to empower the Commissioner to collect fees imposed by local law, including those authorized herein. The procedures for the collection of such fees shall be as prescribed by applicable laws, as may be amended, or as otherwise determined by the Commissioner.

Section 2. Fees to be Collected.

This local law eliminates the distinction formerly made between “contract rates” and “non-contract rates”, such that there is now only one “fee” imposed for all such services. The fees to be charged for the services listed below are amended as follows:

CENTER FOR FORENSIC SCIENCES - OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

EXAMINATIONS

“Autopsy Examination- contract rate” and “Autopsy Examination –non-contract rate” are stricken and substituted with “Autopsy Examination” with the fee established at \$2,900.

“External Examination- contract rate” and “External Examination-non contract rate” are stricken and substituted with “External Examination” with the fee established at \$1,800.

“Special Cases –contract rate” and “Special Cases – non-contract rate” are stricken and substituted with “Special Cases” with the fee established at \$3,900.

“Sudden Infant Death” is stricken.

“Homicide” and “Initially Pending Manner of Death (Age less than or equal to 3 years)” are added to “Special Cases” with the fee established at \$3,900.

SKELETAL EXAMINATIONS

“Human Remains – contract rate” and “Human Remains – non-contract rate” are stricken and substituted with “Human Remains” with the fee established at \$3,000.

NON-MEDICAL EXAMINER/CASE REVIEW

“Non-Medical Examiner/Case Review non-contract rate” is stricken with the fee for “Non-Medical Examiner Case Review” established at \$400.

“On-call service - non-contract rate” is stricken with the fee for “On-call Service” established at \$800.

TESTIMONY

“Testimony/Contract Counties” is stricken and substituted with “Criminal Testimony” with the fee established for each job title, as set forth below:

Forensic Pathologist Testimony/Deposition	\$450/per hour
Forensic Investigator Testimony/Deposition	\$300/per hour
Forensic Autopsy Technician Testimony/Deposition	\$300/per hour
Toxicologist Testimony/Deposition	\$400/per hour
Forensic Chemist Testimony/Deposition	\$350/per hour

“Consultation/Non-Contract Counties” is stricken and substituted with “Civil Testimony” with the fee established for each job title, as set forth below:

Forensic Pathologist Testimony/Deposition	\$600/per hour
Forensic Investigator Testimony/Deposition	\$450/per hour
Forensic Autopsy Technician Testimony/Deposition	\$450/per hour
Toxicologist Testimony/Deposition	\$550/per hour
Forensic Chemist Testimony/Deposition	\$500/per hour

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS AND PERMITS

Late Fee – Annual Permits	\$60
Late Fee – Temporary Permits	\$30

CLINIC FEES

Immunizations Fee included within Vaccine Administration Fees

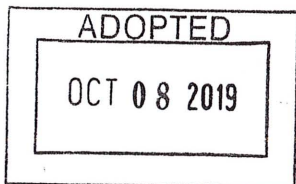
Section 3. Effect on Prior Legislation.

In all other respects, Local Law Nos. 13-2016, 10-2017, and 6-2018 and any additional local law regarding fees for the Health Department and Center For Forensic Sciences shall remain in full force and effect except as specifically amended herein.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect on January 1, 2020, and shall be filed consistent with provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

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