

## FATALITY MANAGEMENT DNA COLLECTION SPECIALIST

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Medical and Public Health
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Fatality Management (FM) DNA Collection Specialist oversees the DNA collection function at the temporary morgue and serves as lead for the DNA station
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team).</li> <li>2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>3. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days</li> </ol>

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The FM DNA Collection Specialist:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Oversees the DNA collection function at the temporary morgue and serves as Lead for the DNA station</li> <li>2. Assists in the victim identification process by collecting biological material from human remains for DNA testing</li> <li>3. Coordinates with the Morgue Forensic Team Leader, Medical Examiner, or Coroner to determine biological material sampling requirements and the appropriate methods for collecting and transferring specimens to the DNA laboratory, using chain of custody protocols as the Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) sets forth</li> <li>4. Selects best specimen from human remains and fragmentary human remains</li> <li>5. Transfers biological specimens to DNA laboratory</li> <li>6. Reports directly to the FM Morgue Forensic Team Leader</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Bachelor's degree in forensic science, biological/health science, or related degree (such as law enforcement) required for a DNA Criminalist	Not Specified
<b>TRAINING</b>	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100</li> <li>2. IS-200: Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents</li> <li>3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> <li>5. Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness</li> <li>6. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection</li> <li>7. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Annual Bloodborne Pathogens</li> </ol>	Not Specified

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COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<p>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Intermediate computer skills, including e-mail, internet, word processing, and spreadsheet proficiency</p> <p>Experience: Two years of experience as a Criminalist or Investigator providing forensic DNA services to a medical examiner office, coroner system, forensic laboratory, or law enforcement agency</p>	Not Specified
<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Performs duties under arduous circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time</li> <li>2. Performs duties with exposure to whole and fragmented human remains in various stages of decomposition</li> <li>3. Performs duties with sights and smells associated with death, including seeing children as victims, grieving survivors, and family members of missing victims</li> <li>4. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommended adult immunization schedule for the United States of America</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>CURRENCY</b>	Functions in this position during an operational incident, exercise, drill, or simulation at least once every two years	Not Specified
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	A training certificate or other documentation related to forensic science, health science, or law enforcement, sufficient to perform the duties of this position	Not Specified

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Position Qualification for Fatality Management Services  
Medical and Public Health

## NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.

## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Human Remains Recovery Team
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team Leader
4. National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG), National Incident Management System Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide, PMS 310-1, Physical Fitness Levels, October 2016
5. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders
6. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
7. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protections, latest edition adopted
8. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted

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