



# MIFSM

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# **COMPREHENSIVE FORENSIC SERVICES**

**ALL SERVICES  
ARE  
PERFORMED IN-  
HOUSE**

- **Death Investigation Services**
- **Forensic Toxicology & Laboratory**
- **Forensic Autopsy Services**
- **Body Transportation**
- **Cremation Permits & Death  
Certificates**
- **Expert Court Testimony**



**Dr. Roshan Mahabir**  
**MD, PhD, MPH**  
**Chief Medical Examiner**

**Board Certified:**

- **Forensic Pathologist**
- **Pediatric Pathologist**
- **Anatomic & Clinical Pathologist**



**Brian Hart**  
**Chief Executive Officer**



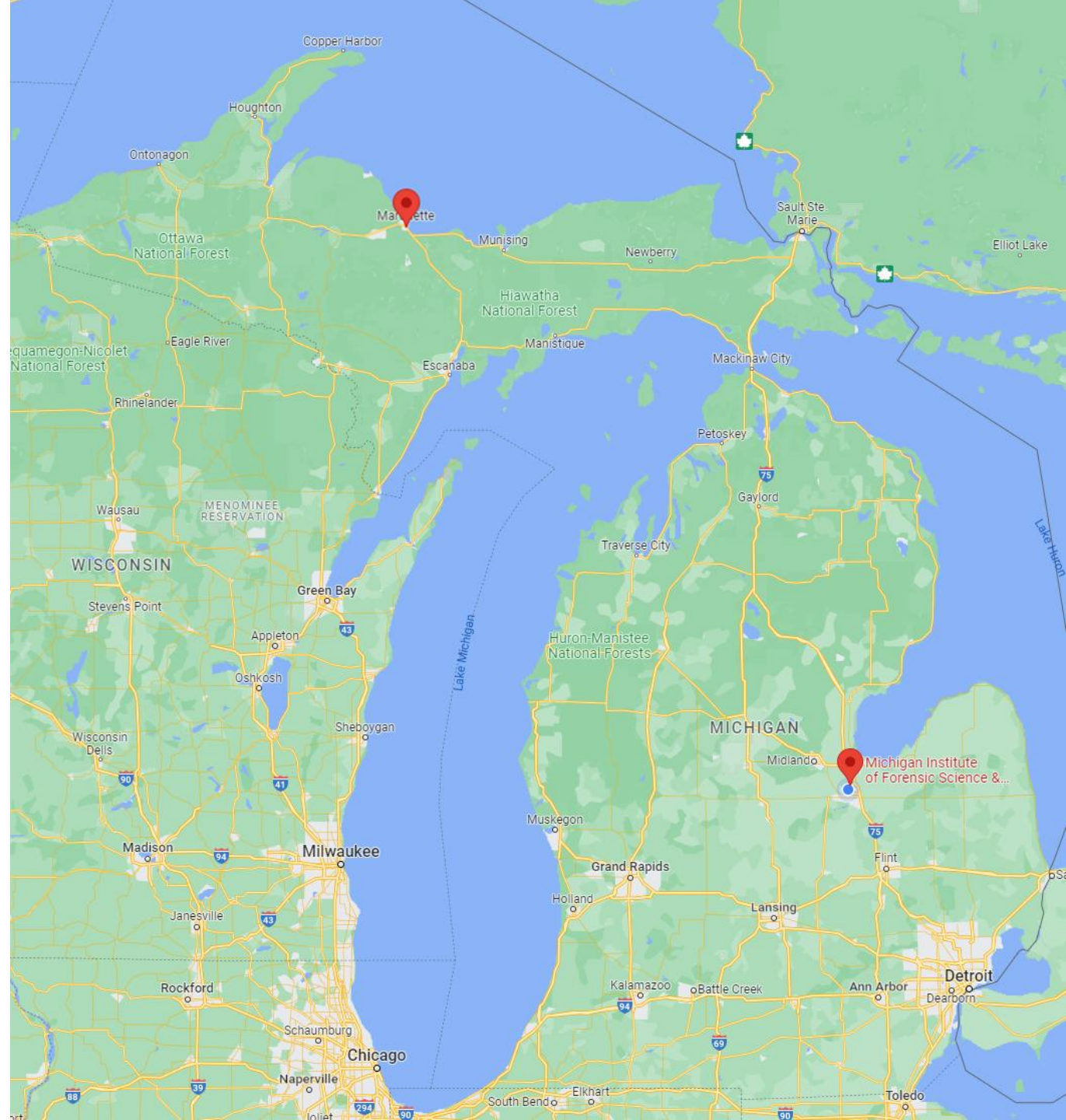


**Steven Hiiter**  
**Chief Medical Examiner Investigator**





**We have the  
only Forensic  
Pathologist  
in the Northern  
Lower Peninsula**



# We are establishing our regional office

(feel free to change this)







# Why Is MIFSM Needed?

- Our pathologist is triple board certified in Anatomical, Pediatric, and Clinical Pathology
- MIFSM provides on-scene death investigation and transportation, forensic toxicology, and forensic autopsies
- Forensic path testimony is beneficial to further education and training on forensics stand point





# ONE COST - ONE PRICE



- Consistent predictive county budgeting - NO VARIATION
- Cost-effective death investigator training is difficult for the individual and/or the county with registration/travel/time away from regular job
- Autopsies get performed on ME or law enforcement request - NOT BASED ON 'HOW MUCH MONEY IS LEFT IN BUDGET'
- Currently, no forensic pathologists in Michigan are 'based' North of us making transportation/timeliness costs an issue
- Requires progressive increase in time necessary for completion of death certificates/cremation permits/final disposition scheduling





# MIFSM Assists with...

- Needed to relieve law enforcement who would currently be unavailable for emergency calls
- This would relieve EMS from needing to transport





# Contractual Benefits

- Case-by-Case evaluation
- Administrative staffing
- On-scene investigation (MEI)
- Case consultation(s)
- Autopsy (when indicated)
- **Lab testing** (forensic toxicology, histology, microbiology, etc.)
- Transcription services
- Expert witness provision







# Contractual Benefits

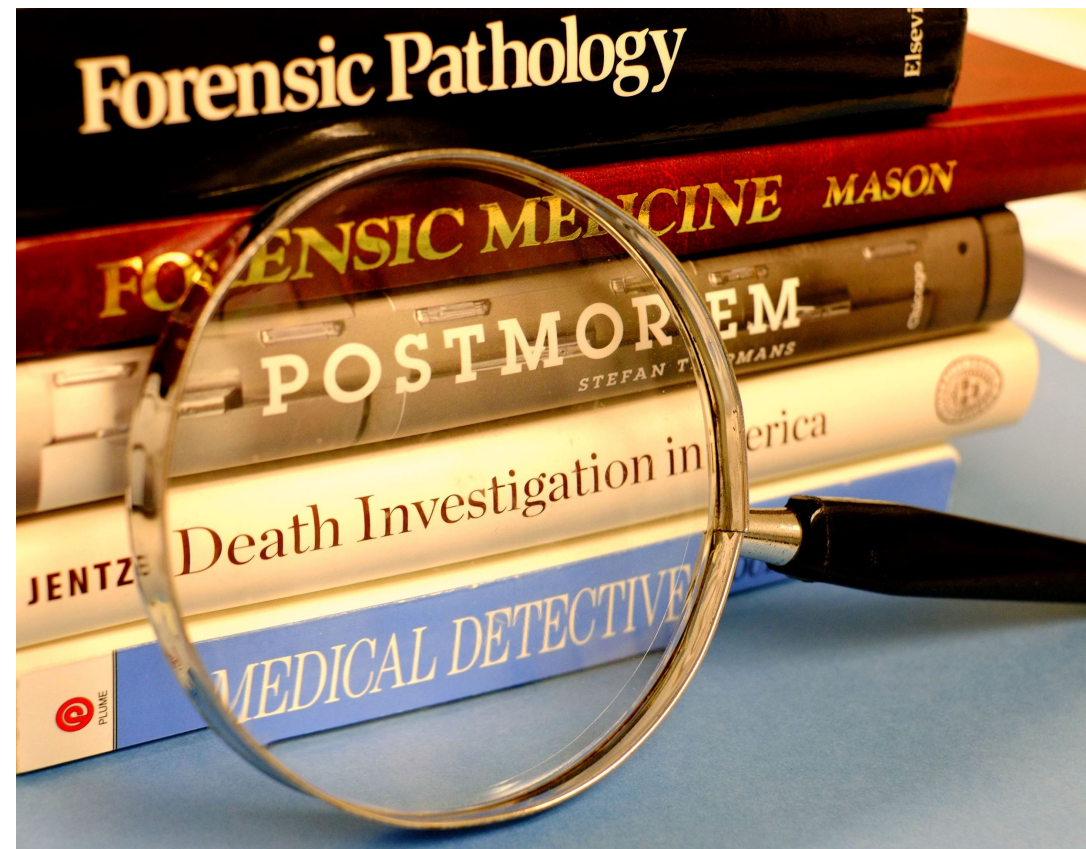
- Body transportation
- Staff education & training
- Tours (group)
- Specimen/tissue sample storage
- Forensic consultation
  - Anthropology
  - Radiology
  - Odontology
  - Neuropathology
  - Others as needed





# Contractual Benefits

- Line item budgeting for county
- Consistent county cost over length of the contractual arrangement
- Succession plan & back up coverage regarding medical examiner & forensic pathologist
- Medical Examiner Investigator recruitment, education & training
- Cooperation and integration of county/MIFSM Emergency Management and Mass Fatality planning







# Contractual Benefits

- Participation in County Child Death Review
- State of the Art Regional Medical Examiner & Autopsy office/facility
- 20-Body capacity cool storage unit
- Infectious Disease Isolation
- Easy vehicular access from I-75/I-675
- Contracts written addressing unique needs of each county
- Annual reports to County's Board of Commissioners (more frequent if requested)





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- **Death Investigation Services**
- **Medical Examiner Investigator Training & Education Programs**
- **Forensic & General Pathology**
- **Forensic Toxicology**
- **Laboratory Services**
- **Forensic Autopsy Services**
- **Hospital & Private Autopsy Services**
- **Body Transportation**
- **Ancillary Specialty Consultation Services**
- **All Associated Medical Examiner Administrative Services**





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Chief Executive Officer



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Director of Administration



**STEVEN HIITER**  
Chief Medical Examiner  
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**Thank You!**