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# Department of Forensic Medicine

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The Department of Forensic Medicine of the Faculty of Medicine in Hradec Králové (CU MED HK) and University Hospital Hradec Králové provides **complete forensic medical services for the region of Hradec Králové**.

The services provided include mainly **autopsy services** according to Act No. 372/2011 Coll. on Health Services and according to the Criminal Procedure Code (medical autopsies ordered by the examining physician and forensic autopsies ordered by law enforcement authorities):

- performing autopsies of persons who died suddenly outside medical facilities
- performing autopsies of persons who died violent deaths outside health care facilities, including autopsies of persons who died in health care facilities if their hospitalisation was indicated due to external violence (e.g. deaths following traffic accidents or other injuries, intoxication, suicide, in connection with assault by another person)
- performing autopsies on persons who have died in custody or while serving a prison sentence
- performing autopsies on persons suspected of malpractice in the performance of health services
- taking biological material at autopsy and examining it for the presence of alcohol and other toxic, narcotic or psychotropic substances (at the Department of Clinical Biochemistry and Diagnostics)
- carrying out identification operations, testing of blood groups, biological traces, etc.

The Department of Forensic Medicine also provides:

- consulting and consultancy activities for health care facilities in the Hradec Králové Region
- professional and expert activities for the Police of the Czech Republic and other law enforcement authorities (forensic autopsies in the event that the death of the injured person was or could have been caused by a criminal act and expert opinions providing law enforcement authorities with expert grounds for the criminal-legal qualification of injury to health)
- continuous consultation and outreach of doctors to the Police of the Czech Republic on the scene of a crime or the discovery of a dead body, including examinations of live patients in medical institutions
- undergraduate teaching of forensic medicine for 5th year students of general medicine and dentistry at CU MED HK (including teaching of foreign students)
- postgraduate studies in the field of forensic medicine