

Medical Examiner Services

Overview

April 22, 2014

Community Support Services

Mandated Services

- The District Medical Examiner is required by law (Section 406.11 F.S.) to determine the cause and manner of death when a person dies and that death meets one or more of the following circumstances:
- it's “Of criminal violence; by accident; by suicide; suddenly, when in apparent good health; unattended by a practicing physician; in any prison or penal institution; in police custody; in any suspicious or unusual circumstance; by criminal abortion; by poison; by disease constituting a threat to public health; and by disease, injury or toxic agent resulting from employment.”



Medical Examiner District 8

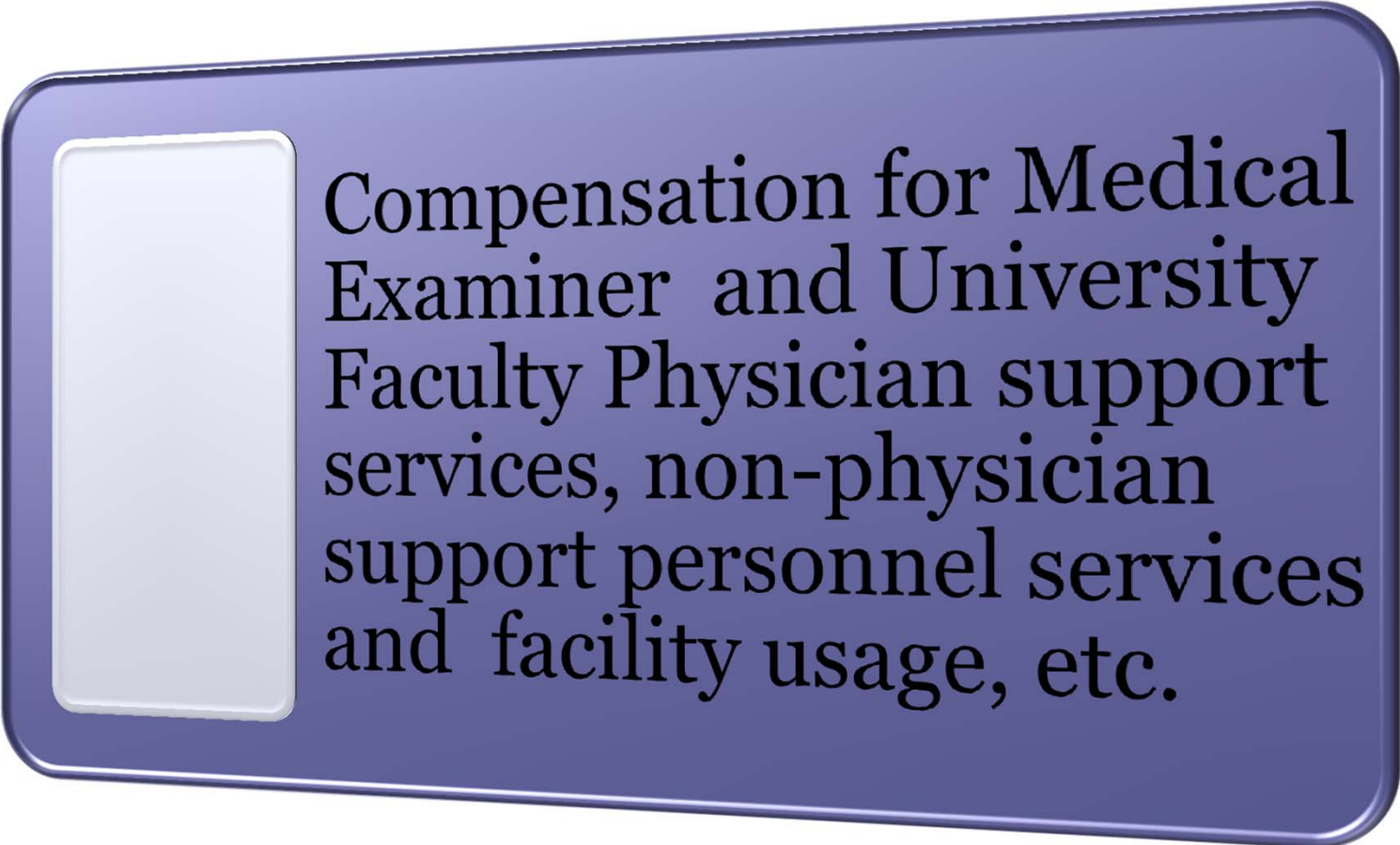
- **District 8 is comprised of seven counties; Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy and Union.**
- ✓ **Alachua County is the largest county in the district and therefore pays the largest proportionate share of costs to counties for related services.**



Cost Centers

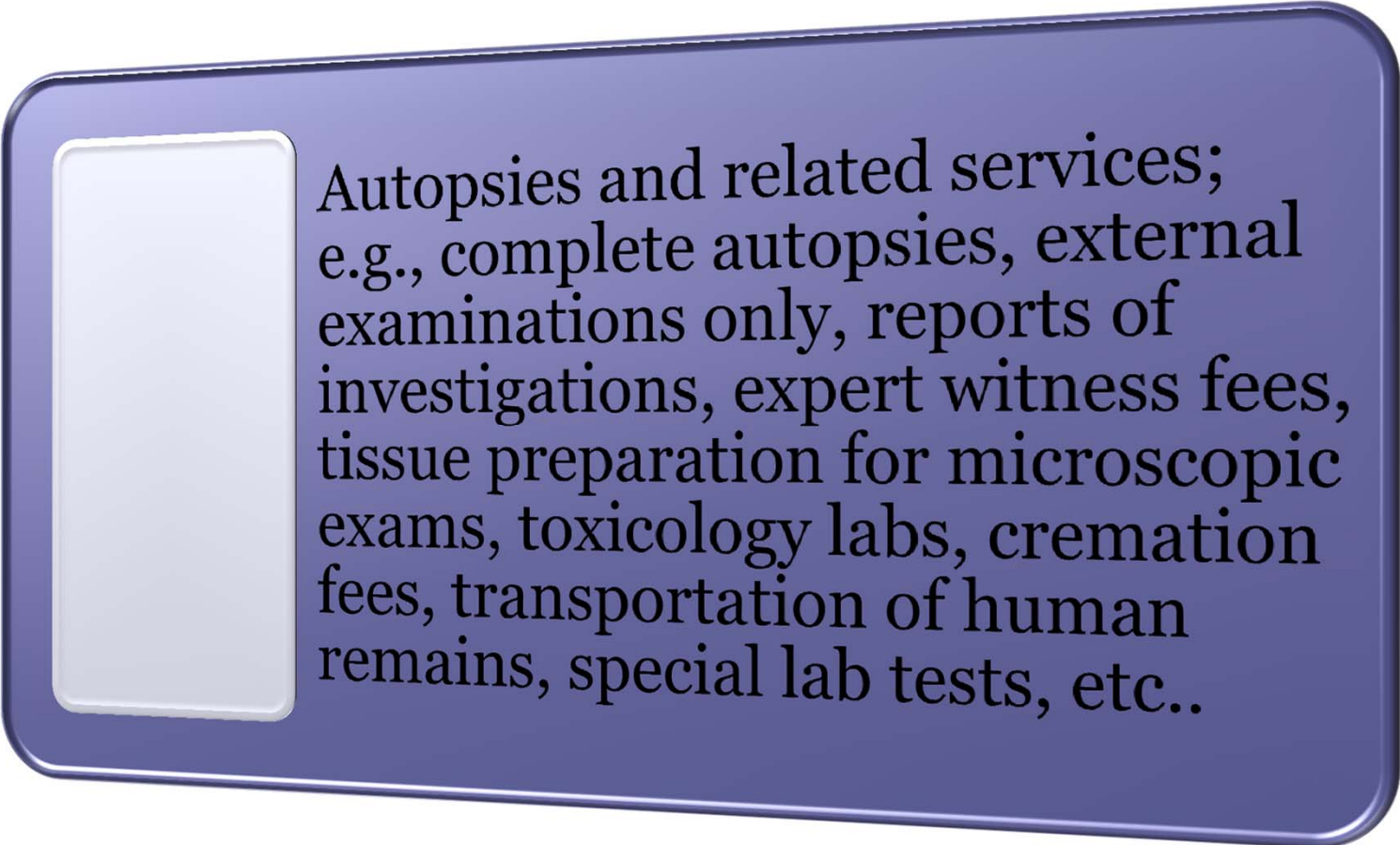
1. Operational
2. Professional

Operational Costs



Compensation for Medical Examiner and University Faculty Physician support services, non-physician support personnel services and facility usage, etc.

Professional Services



Autopsies and related services; e.g., complete autopsies, external examinations only, reports of investigations, expert witness fees, tissue preparation for microscopic exams, toxicology labs, cremation fees, transportation of human remains, special lab tests, etc..

Annual Budget & Expenditures

Time Period	Cnty Budget	Cnty Expenses	Difference
October 2008-September 2009	\$727,000	\$753,091	-\$26,091
October 2009-September 2010	\$727,000	\$786,305	-\$59,305
October 2010-September 2011	\$727,000	\$867,234	-\$140,234
October 2011-September 2012	\$727,000	\$824,600	-\$97,600
October 2012-September 2013	\$727,000	\$802,700	-\$75,700
Totals	\$3,635,000	\$4,033,930	-\$398,930



Looking Ahead

- **Projected Year End Expenditure (approx)
\$860,000**
- **New Facility First Year Increase) (approx)
\$91,000**
- **FY16/17 Projected Expenditure (approx)
\$951,000 (assuming new facility is approved
and operational)**



Closing

- **Staff acknowledges the Medical Examiners need for a new facility and recommends approval of his request, per Option #1 as referenced in the Blue Sheet for the same.**