

# IACME

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## Iowa Association of County Medical Examiners

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### Iowa county medical examiners hold education meeting, elect officers

**West Des Moines** . . . Tornado deaths in Parkersburg and at the Little Sioux Scout camp, drug overdoses and firearm deaths were on the agenda at the Iowa Association of County Medical Examiners (IACME) Fall Meeting and Education Expo Friday and Saturday, November 5-6 at the Sheraton West Des Moines.

The IACME Fall Meeting and Education Expo drew 125 county medical examiners, law enforcement officials, attorneys and death investigators from around Iowa. The goal of this annual event is to provide continuing education for Iowa's county medical examiners and other professionals who investigate automobile fatalities, murders, suicides, farm accidents and other deaths in Iowa.

Attendees heard an overview of death investigation in Iowa from **Julia Goodin, MD**, Iowa Chief State Medical Examiner. At the group's Annual Banquet Friday evening, **Dr. Blaine Houmes**, Cedar Rapids, gave a historical talk entitled "The Lincoln Assassination: Myths and Mysteries."

The group also elected board members at the meeting. **Paul Jensen, MD**, Cresco Medical Clinic, and **Gregory Schmunk, MD**, Polk County Medical Examiner, were reelected to the IACME Board. **Michael Hensch** of the Johnson County Medical Examiner Department in Iowa City was elected to fill a newly-created board seat for death investigators.

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