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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
MARYLAND ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM (MD-EDRS)
Information for Medical Certifiers

On January 1, 2015, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) began transitioning from the current paper-based system for registering deaths to an electronic system (Maryland Electronic Death Registration System, or MD-EDRS). MD-EDRS allows Medical Certifiers to enter medical information onto a death record and electronically transfer the record to a particular funeral establishment for completion. Depending on the requirements of your facility, MD-EDRS provides medical certifiers with the option of:

- Signing a record that has been prepared by facility staff; or
- Entering all required information onto the record and signing the record.

Registration process

You will need to sign a User Agreement and provide certain information in order to be registered in the system. Please contact jasmine.lampadarios@maryland.gov to assist you in the registration process.

Logging onto MD-EDRS

Once registered, a user name and password will be assigned to you in order to access the system. The website address for MD-EDRS is https://mdedrs.health.maryland.gov. If you experience issues logging in or need to reset your password, please contact the MD-EDRS Help Desk at edrs.help@maryland.gov.

Instructional materials

Detailed instructions on using MD-EDRS are available on the Vital Statistics Administration website at: https://health.maryland.gov/vsa/Pages/MC_Instructions.aspx

- Instructions for signing a death certificate that your staff already created in MD-EDRS are available by downloading the document entitled **"Signing a Death Record in MD-EDRS as the Medical Certifier."**

- Instructions for creating and signing a death record electronically are available by downloading the document entitled **"Medical Certifier Training Guide."**

Help desk support

Technical support and assistance is available by email:

- Email questions concerning MD-EDRS to edrs.help@maryland.gov. You will typically receive a response within one hour for messages received between 8 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. For emergencies on weekends and holidays, you will receive a response within four hours for email messages received between 7 am and 7 pm. In order to expedite your request, please indicate the nature of the problem in the email subject line.

Thank you for your support during Maryland's transition from a paper-based to an electronic death registration system.