

Reporting Death Records to Public Health Agencies

Type	Standard / Implementation Specification	Standards Process Maturity	Implementation Maturity	Adoption Level	Federally required	Cost	Test Tool Availability
Implementation Specification	HL7® Vital Records Death Reporting (VRDR) FHIR Implementation Guide 2.0.0 - STU 2	Balloted Draft	Pilot	●●●○○	No	Free	Yes
Implementation Specification	IHE Quality, Research and Public Health Technical Framework Supplement Vital Records Death Reporting (VRDR) R 3.2	Balloted Draft	Pilot	●○○○○	No	Free	Yes

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Limitations, Dependencies, and Preconditions for Consideration	Applicable Security Patterns for Consideration
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Since November 2023 The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) has been onboarding State vital records offices in FHIR This effort includes the transmission of FHIR messages using HL7 Vital Records Death Reporting (VRDR) FHIR Implementation Guide 2.2.0 - STU 2. ▪ The following standards have been deprecated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HL7 Version 2.6 Implementation Guide: Vital Records Death Reporting, Release 1 STU R2.1 - US Realm ▪ HL7 CDA® R2 Implementation Guide: Vital Records Death Reporting, Release 1 STU 2.1 - US Realm ▪ The HL7 Medicolegal Death Investigation (MDI) FHIR implementation guide (IG) provides guidance on the exchange of information with medical examiner and coroners offices. This guide provides MDI case management system developers with the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Feedback requested

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<p>technical details and best practices to standardize MDI fields and interfaces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Vital Records Common Library (http://hl7.org/fhir/us/vr-common-library/STU1/) is a US Realm specific framework that provides common data elements between demographic, cause of death information among the vital records death reporting , birth and fetal death reporting and medicolegal death investigation FHIR® implementation guides. The purpose of this library is to avoid defining the same vital records profiles multiple times within respective implementation guides. 	

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