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Iowa's Certificate of Death Has a New Look

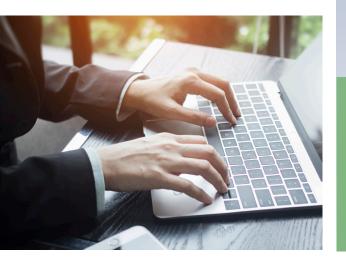
The Bureau of Health Statistics has reviewed and made slight revisions to what information is provided on a certified copy of an Iowa Certificate of Death.

All certified copies of the lowa Certificate of Death will be printed using the new format. The current process used for data entry **has not** changed. The same information is still entered into the Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS) but some of these fields will no longer print on the certificate, such as, the Informant Address. The bureau needs to collect all EDR information because the statistical data obtained from death records are valuable tools for public health researchers and physicians to identify health problems and causes of diseases, and to measure health program results and evaluate diagnostic techniques.

If you have questions regarding this new change please contact one of the staff listed below.

Coming Soon: New Fraud and Security Measures for Certified Paper

The new certified paper will feature a barcode. This additional feature makes it easier for the state to identify fraudulent copies of certified documents. Reducing fraud and improving security is a priority for the lowa Department of Public Health and we will do what we can to continue our mission of Protecting and Improving the Health of Iowans.



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