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Re: Electronic Death Certificate Filing Requirement (Deadline 7/21/16)

As required by LB786, all death certificates in the State of Nebraska will be required to be filed electronically *after 12:00AM on 7/21/2016 (this Thursday)*. This includes the medical/certifier portion of the record (including the cause and manner of death) completed by the physician.

If you have any questions about how to access the electronic death registration system or would like training on its operation, feel free to contact the State of Nebraska at dhhs.vrrs@nebraska.gov or (402) 471-8275. A tutorial for physicians is available at: http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/Physician_Tutorial.aspx.

Please note that if a person dies prior to 12:00AM 7/21/2016, but the electronic record is initiated after that time, the system will require you to complete it electronically. "Drop to paper" (where a death certificate is initiated electronically and the physician fills out the medical portion on paper) will not be an option after 12:00AM 7/21/2016, regardless of when the person died.

All cremation permits will also be issued electronically after 12:00AM 7/21/2016. The requirement for approving an electronic cremation permit is that the medical portion must be completed (with a 'Y' in the appropriate field). If you are the certifier on a given record, a cremation permit cannot be issued until you have done so.