

# EDRS

## What Hospitals and Physicians should know about the Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS)

The Virginia Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS) enables participants in the death registration process to file death records online with the Virginia Department of Health's Office of Vital Records (OVR), creating a paperless system.

### EDRS Online User Registration Portal

 [www.vdh.virginia.gov/vital-records/electronic-death-registration-system/access-edrs/](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/vital-records/electronic-death-registration-system/access-edrs/)

To register for an account online, medical certifiers must have:

- A valid Virginia Department of Health Professions (DHP) license
- A valid Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) credential



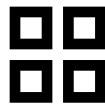
### Who must use EDRS?

Effective January 1, 2020, medical practitioners must register for and use EDRS to certify the case of death. Code of Virginia § 32.1-263 states, "*The medical certification shall be completed and filed electronically with the State Registrar of Vital Records using the Electronic Death Registration System within 24 hours after death by the physician or autonomous nurse practitioner in charge of the patient's care for the illness or condition that resulted in death....*"



### EDRS benefits

- Provides for paperless filing of a death record
- Improves the timeliness and quality of death reporting
- Promotes uniformity in case-of-death statistics
- Saves time and effort by enabling death certificate completion electronically
- Reduces rejection of death certificates
- Enables faster death registration with the Office of Vital Records
- Enables a faster turnaround time for families to obtain certified copies
- Provides Out-of-Office notifications



### EDRS features

- User-friendly death record data entry screens
- Highly secure and internet accessible
- Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Accommodates hospitals, private physicians, and medical examiners
- Helpdesk support during normal business hours



### EDRS System Requirements

- Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome web browser
- Adobe Acrobat Reader

### OVR Field Services Helpdesk



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