

Electronic Death Registration (EDR) NEWSLETTER

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EDR Project: First Phase

The Ministry of Government and Consumer Services is working on a new EDR system to digitalize the current manual, paper-based process that involves several handoffs between all death registration partners (i.e., medical communities, funeral homes, municipalities). It is our goal to improve the timeliness of death registration and death data sharing process in Ontario. The first phase of EDR will be launched in Spring 2022 for a small number of medical communities, funeral homes and municipalities within Woodstock, Orillia and Collingwood.



Project Updates

Development of the registration forms for digitalization (*Medical Certificate of Death [Form 16]*, *Coroner's Warrant to Bury* and *Statement of Death [Form 15]*) is underway, with all forms incorporating feedback from the user design and usability testing sessions. The project team is establishing processes for user provisioning, municipal and provincial registration and burial permit issuance. Preparation has commenced on the training plan for stakeholders that will be participating in the first phase. Upon completion of the training plan, details will be communicated to ensure ample time for preparation. Stakeholders within the three regions continue to be engaged to elicit interest and participation.

Benefits of EDR



Faster:

- ✓ Shorter registration timeframes
- ✓ Reduction in paper forms and need for physical handoffs
- ✓ Timely death information and seamless death notification to stakeholders



Digital Efficiencies:

- ✓ Enhanced user experience with data entry and submission capabilities
- ✓ Improved data accuracy and integrity

Contact

If you are a medical or nurse practitioner, coroner or funeral director within the regions of Woodstock, Orillia or Collingwood, and may be interested in participating in the first phase of EDR, contact us at EDR.Userresearch@ontario.ca