

Using OVERS... easy as 1, 2, 3

1. Fax in the completed enrollment form.
2. Receive an email letting you know when a death record needs to be completed.
3. Log in to OVERS to enter death information and certify the record.

Enrollment

Call **971-673-0279** to request an OVERS enrollment form or download it from our website:

www.HealthOregon.org/overs
Click "Accessing OVERS"

Technical support

Contact the OVERS help desk
971-673-0279
Monday–Friday
8:00a.m.–5:00p.m.

Training opportunities

Contact Partner Services to request OVERS training (typically 30–45 minutes long):

971-673-1353
CHS.PartnerServices@dhsosha.state.or.us

For self-paced training, visit our website:
www.bit.ly/OVERStraining



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You can get this document in other languages, large print, braille or a format you prefer. Contact the Center for Health Statistics at 971-673-1173.

We accept all relay calls or you can dial 711.

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Electronic Registration of Death Records



PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION
Center for Health Statistics

We are vital and we count!



Every vital event that occurs in Oregon must be recorded and permanently stored with the Center for Health Statistics (CHS), also known as the Oregon Vital Records office. Deaths are a vital event that have been filed with Oregon Vital Records since 1903. About 39,000 deaths occur in Oregon each year.

The death certificate is the official legal record of death. A death certificate is needed to settle the affairs of a loved one. It has information about the person who died and their cause of death. Insurance companies, the Social Security Administration and other agencies may ask for certified copies of the death certificate as proof of death.

Oregon Vital Events Registration System (OVERS)

makes it possible to provide timely and accurate death records to families.

What is OVERS?

CHS collects death records using a secure, web-based system known as the Oregon Vital Events Registration System (OVERS).

- In 2021, 73 percent of death records were completed entirely electronically.
- Records processed through OVERS are registered about three times faster than hybrid (paper) records.
- Over 99 percent of all funeral directors use OVERS and can electronically send death records to medical certifiers.
- All deaths in hospitals have been required to be certified in OVERS since Jan. 1, 2014.

How does it work?

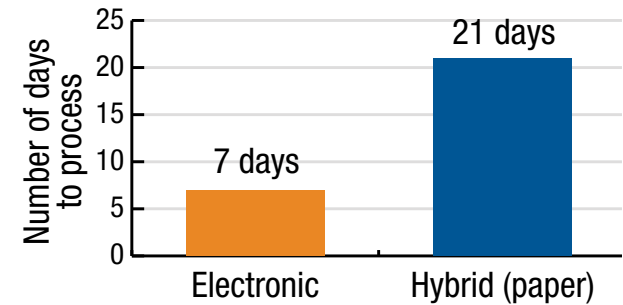
Death records are completed online through a **secure website**. Medical certifiers complete the same information as a paper record and certify it within the system.

Benefits

- Death records can be registered immediately giving families faster access to certified copies.
- Built-in edits **improve accuracy** of records and reduce the need for amendments due to omissions.
- Electronic records do not get lost in the mail.
- For hospital deaths, the law requiring electronic certification is met.

Time to complete death records by method filed:

Date of death to date registered (2021)



- Death records can be completed from any computer with internet access.
- Amendments can be completed electronically and quickly.
- Address and license number are auto-populated in the system.
- Faster registration allows **faster transmission** of death data to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).