



Arizona Department of Health Services
Office of Vital Records
Electronic Death Registry System
Fax Cover Sheet

CONFIDENTIAL AND TIME SENSITIVE

Death Certificate Cause of Death Certification

From: (Name of sending funeral home)	Telephone: (Number of sending funeral home)	Sent: Date & Time Fax Sent
Re: (Name of Decedent)		Date of Death: (Date of Death)

Doctor **Name of Receiving Physician:**

In late 2007, the Office of Vital Records instituted a new electronic death certificate. Certification of cause of death is an integral part of the new registration process. Physician certification of the cause of death by fax is the new process. You are receiving this fax so that you can certify the cause of death for one of your patients. By completing and returning this fax, you can help expedite the registration of this record for the decedent's family.

***** Please verify the information on lines 1 – 4 and complete lines 5 – 10 and 14 – 16.**

***** Remember to enter the time of death on Line 9. If it is already entered, verify it is correct. If it is incorrect, line it out and write in the correct time of death. The information on Line 10 is new and is collected for statistical purposes. Sign and date on Line 15. If your name or the address printed on Line 16 is incorrect, please line it out and print the correct information, then fax your name, correct address, telephone number and fax number to the State Office of Vital Records at 602-364-1257 so we can update our database.**

Take care to make the entries **LEGIBLE. DO NOT ABBREVIATE THE CAUSE OF DEATH.**

Fax the completed death certificate *without a cover sheet* to:
1-801-983-7350 right away.

Arizona Law (ARS §36-325(G)) requires a certifying physician to complete and sign the medical certification of death within 72 hours of the time of death, not from the time it was received from the funeral director.

If you have any questions, or if you received this fax in error, call the sending funeral home listed above or the local county Vital Records Office.			
Apache: (928) 337-7668	Cochise: (520) 803-3925	Coconino: (928) 679-8775	Gila: (928) 402-8803
Graham: (928) 428-4441	Greenlee: (928) 865-2601	LaPaz: (928) 669-1100	Maricopa: (602) 372-0535
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