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To: All Vital Records Data Providers
All Local Public Health Agencies
State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

This correspondence is to provide you with an update on the implementation schedule of Missouri's electronic death registration system. Legislation passed in 2004 required the Department to develop and maintain an electronic system to register births and deaths that occur in the state. Additional legislation passed in 2010 requires data providers to utilize the electronic death registration system within six months of the system being certified by the Department Director.

Notice was sent out on October 1, 2011 that certified the Missouri Electronic Vital Records system (MoEVR) as operational notifying all data providers of the requirement to utilize the electronic system beginning April 1, 2012. Progress is being made in training data providers to use MoEVR. However, to allow additional training opportunities, the deadline is being extended. A new date of August 1, 2012 has been set as the date all data providers will be required to use the electronic death registration system.

Training sessions for funeral directors will continue to be offered in Jefferson City on a regular basis and webinar training will continue to be available to medical certifiers. The webinar training may be accessed at <http://health.mo.gov/training/moevr/index.php>. The Department appreciates the cooperation and feedback from providers using the electronic system. Data providers not using the system are encouraged to contact the Bureau of Vital Records at (573) 526-0348 about training opportunities.

Sincerely,


Margaret T. Donnelly
Director

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cc: Craig Ward, State Registrar
Lexi Hall, Deputy State Registrar
Michelle Zeilman, Vital Records Bureau Chief

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Tina Steinman, Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Steinman:

In 2004, legislation was passed in Missouri that required the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Vital Records to develop and maintain an electronic system to register births and deaths. Additional legislation was passed in 2010 that required data providers to utilize the electronic death registration system within six months of the system being certified by the Department of Health and Senior Services' Director or the director's designee. Notice went out on October 1, 2011 that certified the electronic registration system as operational. All data providers will be required to utilize the electronic system beginning April 1, 2012.

The Bureau of Vital Records staff has initiated instructor-led trainings for providers at various locations throughout Missouri to ensure readiness to comply. To assist with training certifiers such as physicians, medical examiners and coroners, a webinar, accessible through the internet, has been developed. The webinar will allow certifiers to take advantage of the training within their own environment, at their convenience, eliminating the need for travel. However, instructor-led group classes will continue to be scheduled based on request.

The Department of Health and Senior Services would like to enlist your support to disseminate information about the availability of the webinar to your members responsible for completing and signing certificates of death. The webinar training may be accessed at <http://health.mo.gov/training/moevr/index.php> and can be viewed in approximately 20 minutes. At the conclusion of the webinar, there is a short questionnaire requesting contact information. After completing the questionnaire, a link is available to a Vital Records User Access Request form. To request access to the electronic vital records system, this form must be completed, signed and mailed to the Bureau of Vital Records. You will be contacted by phone or email with your user name, temporary password and link to the Missouri Electronic Vital Record (MoEVR) application.

Your cooperation in sharing this information with your members and including it in your newsletter, if possible, will assist in ensuring that all data providers are aware of this requirement and have had the opportunity to obtain training. If you have any questions, please contact me at (573) 526-0348.

Sincerely,

Ivra J. Cross, State Registrar
Bureau of Vital Records

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