

## Attachment 1

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Many governmental agencies in Florida track resident deaths either directly or indirectly. The following table attempts to provide a quick inventory of the sources where the agencies capture data on those deaths. Effort has been made to screen out “repackaged” data and list only those containing either primary source data or data that expands upon another source. Department of Health vital statistics are the central source of death data in the state and remain the official record of death.

Agency	Source	Source Description	Manner Contained	Manner Stored	All Deaths? (does data contain every death of that type)	Time Lag (from incident to availability)
<b>AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION</b>						
AHCA	Code 15 reports	Form submitted by hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers and HMOs to self-report statutorily-defined adverse incidents	Data element provided in incident reports	VR	Limited. Only includes those over which facility had control	15 days
AHCA	1-day & 15-day adverse incident reports	Form submitted by nursing homes and assisted living facilities to self-report statutorily-defined adverse incidents	Data element provided in incident reports	VR	Limited. Only includes those over which facility had control	15 days
AHCA	Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Assn. (NICA)	Petition seeking compensation submitted to DOA (with copy to AHCA and DOH) must include a description of disability for which claim is made, and a brief statement of the circumstances surrounding the injury	Hard copy reports	Paper files	100% of deaths resulting in NICA claim are include in reports sent to AHCA	15 days
AHCA	Notice of Intent (NOI)	Copy of Notice of Intent (to file lawsuit) submitted to AHCA by plaintiff's attorney naming Florida hospital. NOI contains details of investigation into allegations of medical negligence includes a statement from a medical expert.	Hard copy reports	Paper files	Unclear how often “death” mentioned in NOI narratives of cases actually involving death	Several months (at least)
AHCA	Nursing home and assisted living liability claim reports	Forms required to be submitted monthly by nursing homes and ALFs receiving liability claims in the preceding month	Death may be indicated as outcome of case resulting in claim	VR	Unclear how often “death” mentioned in reports of claims involving death	Several months (at least)
AHCA	Nursing home and assisted living Notice of Intent (and complaint)	Paper copies of formal Notice of Intent to file litigation (and complaint) as filed with relevant clerk of courts	Death may be indicated in the report as outcome of case resulting in claim	Laser Fiche	Unclear how often “death” mentioned in reports of claims involving death	Several months (at least)

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AHCA	Facility complaints	CAU receives information on deaths as part of some complaints about regulated facilities. <i>(Note: not all complaints about situations resulting in a death reference that death in the complaint)</i>	Within a complaint summary (text)	VR	Unclear. Not all situations resulting in death are reported and those that do need not mention death	Immediate
AHCA	Patient discharge data	Deaths reported as discharge status from all terminal acute care hospital visits in state	Electronic dataset element	Oracle database	100% in reporting facilities.	5-8 months
AHCA	Medicaid Long Term Care and Behavioral Health	Prepaid Mental Health and Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Programs. (SIPPs) submit an incident report when a recipient has died, with follow up if the death is determined to be related to provider care issues.	Electronic	FMMIS	Not clear	Several weeks
AHCA	Medicaid Long Term Care and Behavioral Health	Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). Providers must submit Level Two reports on incidents occurring in PACE programs. The reports cover a broad range of averse incidents, of which the most critical reports are deaths.	Electronic text and data into CMS data base	Maint. by CMS	Not clear	Several weeks

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<b>DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH</b>						
DOH	Death Registry	Every death occurring in state. Includes cause of death. Most, if not all, DOH death data/information derived directly from death records.	Paper to electronic	Database	Abstracts available non-electronic form immediately	Varies. Typically six weeks
DOH	Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR)	Birth, death and abstracted clinical records associated with a random sampling of child deaths (through 1 year of age) - also contains data from Healthy Start coalitions	Electronic	Database (Multiple)	Random sample	Variable (mainly utilizes death records)
DOH	Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review (PAMR)	Data on pregnancy-associated deaths. Contains birth and death record as well as abstracted information from medical records	Electronic	Database	Sample	Depends on information needed
DOH	Emergency Medical Services Tracking & Reporting System (EMSTARS)	Incident-level data and analysis from local EMS agency run reports	Electronic	Database	100%	Unclear
DOH	Florida Injury Prevention Program	Statewide injury prevention program to support state and community health systems (Data from AHCA discharge and DOH death records)	Electronic	Database	Only accident victims that die in hospitals (confirm)	5-8 months
DOH	Trauma Registry	Data from state licensed trauma centers	Electronic	Database	100% (?)	3-6 months
DOH	HIV/AIDS	Surveillance data for state prevention efforts/Ryan White assistance program	Electronic	Database	Not clear	N/A

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<b>DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES</b>						
DCF	Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN)	Detailed information on all reports of abuse and neglect of a child received via Florida Abuse Hotline	Electronic	Database	All reported child abuse deaths. Not all abuse/neglect deaths reported.	Varies. Can be as much as 18 months
DCF	Child Abuse Death Review System	Extensive investigative reports on child abuse-related deaths. Supports Child Death Review process and agency QA process for identifying "lessons learned."	Electronic	Database	No. Only reported child deaths deemed by DCF to be from abuse. Not all abuse/neglect deaths reported.	Significant. DCF must determine if death is from abuse. Can be as much as 18 mos
DCF/AG	Domestic Violence Fatality Review	Data from 15 local domestic violence fatality review teams. The local teams are autonomous and their reports often reflect differences in their operations as well as funding.	Electronic	Database	Unclear	Varies. Investigation may be needed to confirm DV
DCF	Adult Abuse Allegations (Hotline)	Data collected through Florida Abuse Hotline on allegations of abuse or neglect of disabled adults or those over 60. Includes all allegations resulting in death. <i>(Note: Not actually a separate database. All abuse data received via Hotline is housed in FSFN)</i>	Electronic	Database	All deaths reported to Hotline. Not all abuse/neglect deaths reported.	N/A

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DOT/ DHSMV	Traffic Crash Data	Upwards of 100 data elements collected from long form traffic crash reports provided by local law enforcement agencies	Electronic	Database	Not clear – some deaths occur sometime after crash and may not be captured	
<b>DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS</b>						
DVA	Service casualty deaths (since 9/11)	Raw number of casualties in foreign conflicts	Electronic	Not clear.	100%	N/A
<b>DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS</b>						
DOEA	None	DOEA uses DOH death record data to ensure deceased are removed from service eligibility lists	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A