

Nevada Office of HIV Ryan White Part B Program Vital Status Request Form Policy

SCOPE OF COVERAGE

Directly applicable to all Ryan White Part B, including Nevada Medication Assistance, funded subrecipients.

PURPOSE OF PROCEDURE

To assist subrecipients in obtaining official confirmation of a deceased client.

BACKGROUND

If a Ryan White Part B subrecipient needs an official confirmation of a client's vital status (i.e., deceased), a "<u>Vital Status Request</u>" form can be completed and submitted to <u>NVRWPB@health.nv.gov</u>. Ryan White Part B staff will have three (3) business days to respond to the subrecipient with an official confirmation.

- I. If subrecipients have documentation confirming that a client is deceased, the following steps should occur:
 - 1. Upload Acceptable Documentation (please see listed below) of deceased client's status into CAREWare.
 - 2. Change client's status in required areas (CAREWare & Liberty Dental portal)

Acceptable Documentation

- Copy of death certificate
- Bureau of Vital Statistics record
- Doctor's statement
- Veteran's Affairs or Military service record
- Indian Health Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs or Tribal records
- Statement from funeral director
- Records from hospital or other institution where the person died
- Insurance company records
- Information obtained by Investigations and Recovery and/or Child Support Enforcement
- Newspaper death notice listing survivors
- State or local assistance records (including burial payment records)
- Lodge, club, or organization records
- Police records
- Social Security claim number or evidence of receipt of survivor's benefit from deceased person's Social Security Number



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- II. If subrecipient does not have official confirmation of client being deceased subrecipient will:
 - 1. Complete a "<u>Vital Status Request</u>" form and email it to <u>NVRWPB@health.nv.gov</u>.
 - 2. When sub-recipient receives completed "<u>Vital Status Request</u>" form from RWPB, if client is deceased subrecipient will:
 - Upload official confirmation of clients (deceased) status into CAREWare.
 - Change the client's status in required areas
 - 3. If client is not deceased, sub-recipient ensures the client is still active in all required areas, up to and including referral to lost-to-care or retention-in-care non-medical case manager(s).
- III. Upon receiving "Vital Status Request" form Nevada Ryan White Part B will:
 - 1. Check Nevada State Directory for client's vital status.
 - 2. Return secure email to subrecipient's informing them of client's vital status.