

**Q&A:
Magistration and
Inquests**

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Magistration & Inquests

in the Age of Coronavirus

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New Resources

Updated Deskbooks, Webinars, Benchcards, and More

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Interview with a Medical Examiner

Webinar from June 10, 2020

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Cause and Manner of Death Resources

- National Center for Health Statistics Training on Writing Cause-of-Death Statements & other CDC Resources:
https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/writing_cod_statements.htm
- National Center for Health Statistics Guidance on Certifying COVID-19 Deaths: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvss/vsrg/vsrg03-508.pdf>
- CDC “blue sheets” (natural deaths):
https://www.dshs.texas.gov/uploadedFiles/Content/Chief_Operating_Officer/vs/field/TxEVER/blue_form.pdf
- CDC “red sheets” (unnatural deaths):
https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/dvs/red_form.pdf

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Proper Language for Heart Attack on a Death Certificate

- Do not use "cardiac arrest" or "cardio-pulmonary arrest" on death certificates. These phrases literally mean the heart stopped or the heart and lungs stopped which happens to everyone when they die. Better phrases are:
- Hypertensive cardiovascular disease (aka long-standing high blood pressure disease).
- Atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (aka clogged coronary arteries - may have had a heart stent placed, or cardiac bypass surgery).
- Hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (both as above).
- You can also legitimately use the word "probable" in front of either - for instance "Probable hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease".

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Magistrations Webinars

Peace Bonds, Mental Health Warrants, Search Warrants, DWI Bond Conditions

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Consular Notification

United States Department of State Consular Notification and Access Guide

- https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/travel/CNAtrainingresources/CNA%20Manual%205th%20Edition_September%202018.pdf

Pocket Guide

- https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/travel/CNAtrainingresources/CNA%20Pocket%20Card_BW.pdf

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**What are your
Questions?**
