# MATERNAL MORTALITY REVIEW INFORMATION APPLICATION (MMRIA) USER GUIDE

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# A. WHAT IS MMRIA?

Created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the CDC Foundation, in partnership with maternal mortality review committees, the **Maternal Mortality Review Information Application (MMRIA,** or "Maria") serves two purposes. First, it provides a repository for the medical and social information needed for maternal mortality review committee (MMRC) case review. Second, MMRIA provides standardized data that can then be used for surveillance, monitoring, and research of maternal mortality. MMRIA provides a common language that helps MMRCs to collaborate in case review and analyses.

MMRIA is the successor to the Maternal Mortality Review Data System (MMRDS). Based on lessons learned from implementing MMRDS in 11 states, MMRIA was developed to be a user-friendly custom application with flexible hosting options. Jurisdictions can select web-based, file-based network, or desktop hosting.

MMRIA is a multi-user data entry system designed to flow like a case review. MMRIA's abstraction forms and tools help MMRC members to understand the story of a woman's life and the events leading to her death. Devised to accommodate the scope of work and processes of MMRCs, the system supports abstraction and captures committee decisions. MMRIA provides access to semi-automated case narrative templates from which committee members can print easy-to-read case narrative details. Lastly MMRIA captures socio-spatial information, through geocoding of addresses, to expand case discussions and analyses.

MMRIA also contains a RESTful API for importing data. Jurisdictions may choose to map data from other systems to the MMRIA API to automate the import of data. In the future, a tool to map death certificate and birth certificate data will be released to allow for automatic import of vitals data.

MMRIA user roles are assigned by a User Admin within your jurisdiction, based on the level of access needed. Predefined user roles are: User Admin, Abstractor, Committee Reviewer, and Form Designer.

MMRIA is compatible with multiple operating systems and browsers; however, Google Chrome is the recommended browser.

# Additional Resources

The following tools complement MMRIA use and are available on ReviewtoAction.org:

- Report from MMRCs, featuring data from four states
- Committee Facilitation Guide
- Model Purpose, Mission, Goals, and Vision for MMRCs
- Overview of State Legislative Support for MMRCs
- Model Case Identification Process
- Model Abstractor Job Description
- Tools for Case Abstraction
- Model Committee Meeting Agenda





- Model Confidentiality Statement
- Committee Decisions Form

# **B. HOSTING MMRIA**

MMRIA is a custom application built on the following open source tools, including

- PouchDB browser-based database; allows for offline data entry
- CouchDB central data store
- • OWIN/Katana allows desktop and web-based hosting
- Microsoft.NET core enables compatibility with various operating systems
- • jQuery user interface
- Docker

With several options for hosting the system, MMRIA is designed to work flexibly with the various environments in which review committees operate. In choosing which option will work best for your jurisdiction, consider:

- Who will enter data, and where are they located?
- Who needs to view the data, and where are they located?
- Who will analyze data, and where are they located?

TABLE 1 crosswalks several options plus advantages and disadvantages of each option.





TABLE 1

OPTION	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
1. EXECUTABLE- RUN FROM DESKTOP	<ul> <li>Easiest setup</li> <li>Easily and quickly supports single data entry from a single location (similar to MMRDS)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Designed to support a single user from a single location only</li> <li>Upgrades require each user to take action</li> <li>Does not allow committee members to access de-identified case information prior to/during meetings direct from their machine (MMRC will still rely on hard copies)</li> <li>Requires transferring data between abstractor(s) and data analyst</li> <li>Requires downloading the following to each user's machine: Docker, Couch DB, Chrome Internet Browser, MMRIA files</li> </ul>
2. EXECUTABLE- RUN FROM LOCAL NETWORK/ INTRANET	<ul> <li>Supports multi-user data entry from a single location</li> <li>Upgrades require a single user with admin rights to take action</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Requires IT involvement to configure and to download application to each user's machine</li> <li>Does not allow committee members to access de-identified case information prior to/during meetings, unless committee members have access to local network and executable installed</li> <li>Some transfer of files is required if users exist both within local network and outside of network</li> <li>Requires downloading the following to each user's machine: Docker, Couch DB, Chrome Internet Browser, MMRIA files</li> </ul>
3. EXECUTABLE - RUN OVER INTERNET	<ul> <li>Supports multi-user data entry from multiple locations</li> <li>Committee members can view de- identified cases from any location (if MMRIA is downloaded to their PCs/tablets)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Requires IT involvement to configure deployment over web server</li> <li>Some costs may be associated with use of a web server, though minimal (estimated needs = 2G memory, two core processors, 40G disk space)</li> </ul>





	Upgrades require a single user with admin rights to take action	<ul> <li>Requires downloading the following to each user's machine: Docker, Couch DB, Chrome, MMRIA files</li> </ul>
4. VIRTUAL MACHINE VIA DESKTOP OR FILE- BASED NETWORK	<ul> <li>Supports multi-user data entry from multiple locations</li> <li>Committee members can view de- identified cases from any location via a web browser</li> <li>Upgrades require a single user with admin rights to take action</li> <li>fewer files to download and easier setup:         Chrome, Pouch DB and MMRIA packaged into one file     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Upgrades require each user to take action</li> <li>Requires IT involvement to configure deployment over web server</li> <li>Some costs may be associated with use of a web server, though minimal (estimated needs = 2 to 5G memory, two core processors, 40G disk space)</li> </ul>
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If your MMRC will have multiple abstractors entering data, The MMRIA Team recommends hosting the system on the internet or intranet. Option 5 enables maximum functionality for abstractors, data analysts, and committee members.

To access any new updates to MMRIA, please consult: <a href="http://mmria.org">http://mmria.org</a>.

# C. IMPORTING MMRDS DATA TO MMRIA

The MMRIA Importer is a tool that automatically imports data from MMRDS into MMRIA.

To run the import you will need 4 pieces of information:

- username -a MMRIA username for an abstractor role.
- password MMRIA abstractor password
- database\_file\_path file path to the location of your MMRDS Maternal\_Mortality.mdb file.
- url your MMRIA URL

Note that if you have more than one Maternal\_Mortality.mdb file on a single user's computer, you need to be very careful not to overwrite data. Contact <a href="mmriasupport@cdc.cov">mmriasupport@cdc.cov</a> for step-by-step assistance with importing multiple mdb files.

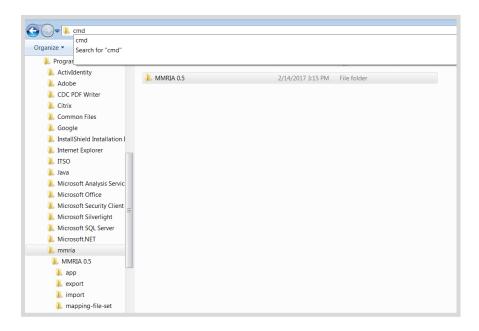
1. Open up Notepad and copy and paste the following information:

mmria.exe import user\_name:user1 password\:password database\_file\_path:c:\temp\Maternal\_Mortality.mdb url:http://localhost:12345

- 2. Replace the words in bolded red with your specific information.
- 3. Highlight and copy the text in Notepad.
- 4. Next, open a MMRIA command line function by locating your MMRIA folder in your Windows File Explorer, and then typing "cmd" in the path line.







- 5. Right click in the dialog box and select Paste.
- 6. Press Enter and the Import will begin.

The import may take up to 30 seconds *per case*. When finished, a message will appear that says "Import is finished." You can then log in to MMRIA to view all imported cases.

The import can be run as many times as needed. You can import separate mdb files from several users' computers, and with several different usernames. The Importer will overwrite existing cases with the latest data from MMRDS.





# D. LOGGING IN

Your jurisdiction will configure a URL, or web address, for MMRIA. You will need to reach out to your local User Admin to receive the URL and your user name and password. Open Chrome internet browser, enter the web address for MMRIA, and enter your user name and password.

# **User Roles**

Access levels are based on roles:

- User Admin assigns user roles, user names, and passwords.
- • **Abstractor** has data entry and editing privileges. This role may be assigned to abstractors and data analysts, or anyone who needs full read/write access.
- Committee Reviewer can view de-identified cases
- •• Form Designer<sup>1</sup> has all access of an abstractor and also the ability to add forms and fields via the Metadata Editor

# New User

If you are a new user, you will need to contact the person on your MMRC with the User Admin role to receive your login information. If you do not know who your User Admin is, contact <a href="mmriasupport@cdc.gov">mmriasupport@cdc.gov</a>.

# Returning User

Select the "Login" button in the right-hand corner to enter your user name and password. Once you enter your information into the fields, click "LOG IN".

Summary

add new case

Print Blank • Print Blank • DLogin

user\_name:
user1
password:
......
LOG IN

FIGURE 2





 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{1. Contact $\underline{\bf mmriasupport@cdc.gov}$ for additional guidance}\\$ 

# E. GETTING STARTED: BASIC FUNCTIONS

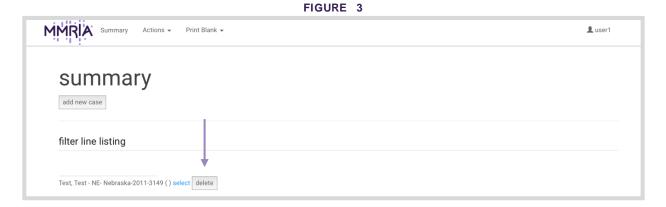
# Saving Your Data

MMRIA automatically saves all data that is entered. For example, if you enter text and then go back a screen, it will have automatically saved your text. You do not need to prompt the database to save your file or any changes made to the data entered.

# Deleting/Recovering Records

Records can be deleted from the database via the summary page (FIGURE 3). Click on the "Delete" button. Once the "Delete" button is pressed, the record will be highlighted in gray. If you are sure you wish to Delete the case, press Delete again.

The deleted case will be excluded from data exports and from aggregate standard reports created within MMRIA. If a case needs to be recovered after being deleted, contact <a href="mailto:MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov">MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov</a>.



Printing

You have the option to print a blank copy of all 11 Forms, a single record, or an entire case. The print dialog opens in a separate browser window.

You may wish to print only the Case Narrative Form for a given case. Using the case narrative templates, your Case Narrative Form should contain all of the information your committee needs to review a case. You may also want to print the Core Elements report, which contains additional data that your review committee may need. For select cases, you may wish to print graphs from the Prenatal Care and ER Visits/Hospitalizations Forms or other Forms as appropriate. To print any Forms besides the Case Narrative and Core Elements for committee review, be aware that within the abstractor role, you will be printing fully identified Forms. To print these other Forms, you should log in with a committee reviewer to ensure information is de-identified. In the future, the option to Print De-identified Forms will exist within the Abstractor role.





# **Steps for Printing a Case**

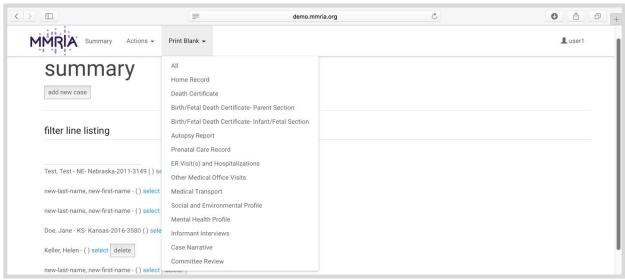
- 1. Locate the record on the Summary Page.
- 2. Click the "Select" button located at the end of the listing line for a specific case.
- 3. Clicking on the "Select" button will direct you to the Home Record page.
- 4. Select the "Print Version" drop-down to see a menu listing all Forms.
- 5. Select an individual Form to print or select "All" to print all of the case's Forms.

# **Steps for Printing Blank Forms**

- You can print blank Forms from the "Summary" page (FIGURE 4) or from within a case (FIGURE 5).
- Select the "Print Blank" drop-down (FIGURE 4) to see a menu listing all blank Forms.
- 3. Select an individual blank Form to print or select "All" to print all of the blank Forms.

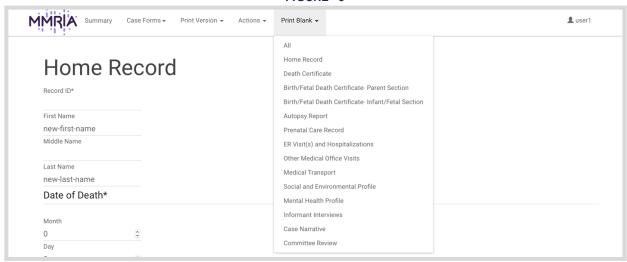
Note: if you would like a set of blank forms with all dropdown values displayed to help you take abstraction notes on paper, contact mmriasupport@cdc.gov

### FIGURE 4









# **Data Dictionary**

The data dictionary is a dynamic dictionary that automatically updates; any changes to the Forms will be reflected in real time. You can navigate to the data dictionary from the summary page (FIGURE 6) and from within a case (FIGURE 7). The data dictionary will open in a separate window. You may also choose to export the data dictionary to Excel for easy viewing. To export to Excel, right click on the data dictionary, choose Select All, Copy, and then Paste into a spreadsheet.

### FIGURE 6



### FIGURE 7







# View Aggregate Report

To view a snapshot of information on the cases you have entered, click the "Actions" button and select "View Aggregate Report" to launch a new window (1). Click the "generate report" button (2) and data will be populated below the table (3) (FIGURE 8).

This report is a work in progress - some calculations may not be accurate. Contact mmriasupport@cdc.gov with feedback or questions.

Year
Year of Death All 
monthyear
Date of Case Review AH All 
generate report 2

You will see a disclaimer that this report is currently in progress. More fields, and further reports, will be added in the future.

# F. ABSTRACTING CASES INTO MMRIA

MMRIA is designed to capture your abstraction notes and help you to write a comprehensive case narrative. You may wish to abstract on paper and then enter the data into MMRIA, but it is ideal to enter case data into MMRIA before you present a case to your committee. Why?

- 1. The templates contained in the Reviewer's Notes sections of each Form and the Case Narrative Form itself will aid you in writing and printing a case narrative that can be easily printed for presentation to your committee.
- 2. Throughout the different Forms in MMRIA, you will see fields marked with an asterisk. Fields with asterisks denote core data elements. These fields are not required but were identified by review committees and subject matter experts as important information for both committees and analysts to have accessible. All of the core elements are brought into a Core Elements Report that you may print for presentation to your committee. If you have this data available, make sure you complete the field. If it is not available, you may wish to note that in the Reviewer's Notes text box at the bottom of each Form.
- 3. If your committee members have MMRIA access, they can view de-identified case information prior to or during committee meetings.





# Field Types

# What types of fields are in MMRIA?

- Single select drop down lists
- Multi-select drop down lists
- Checkboxes
- Editable lists- allow you to enter an option from a dropdown menu, or type another value if the value is not listed
- Free text fields
- Date and Date+Time Fields
  - Note that dates and times are de-identified when viewed by Committee Reviewers, to
    protect anonymity. Thus it is important to enter not only dates and times but also gestational
    age or days postpartum for all events, which are visible to Committee Reviewers.
- Reviewer's Notes boxes- these are found at the bottom of each form. They can be expanded by clicking and dragging the bottom right corner of the box.
- Grids- used to capture related pieces of information in a table format, e.g. the Routine Monitoring Grid in the Prenatal Care form



**Note:** Be sure to exclude any personal identifiers from the Reviewer's Notes sections of each Form. Any identified information entered into Reviewer's Notes sections of Forms will NOT be de-identified for the Committee Reviewer role.

# MMRIA Home Screen

As shown in **FIGURE 9**, the MMRIA Home Screen has three main menu options: Summary (1), Actions (2), and Print Blank (3).



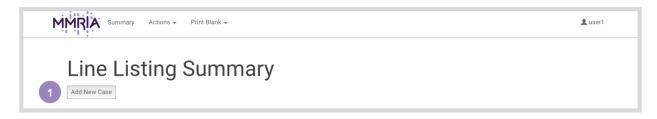




# 1. Summary Page

The Summary Page is where you add new cases, edit cases, or delete cases.

### FIGURE 10



## Add A New Case

- To add a new case, click the "Add New Case" button located under the "Summary" heading.
- 2. After clicking on the "Add New Case" button, you will be taken to the Home Record screen. However, you can start data entry on any Form. To proceed from one Form to the next select the "Case Forms" (TABLE 2) drop-down menu.
- 3. Select the appropriate Form to begin entering data.

### FIGURE 11







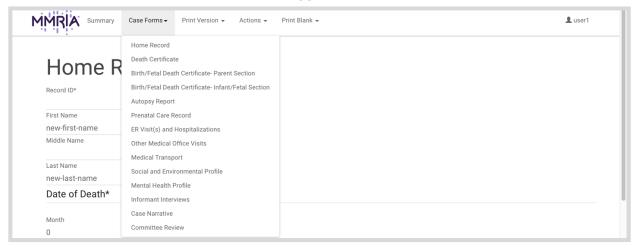


TABLE 2

CASE FORM	M TYPES
Home Record	Other Medical Office Visits*
Death Certificate	Medical Transport*
Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent Section	Social and Environmental Profile
Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal Section*	Mental Health Profile
Autopsy Report	Informant Interviews*
Prenatal Care Record	Case Narrative
ER Visits & Hospitalizations*	Committee Review

\*Indicates that for a case, you can enter multiple forms







**Note:** You may not have information to complete each of these Forms for every case. You will have fields within Forms that you cannot complete. It is okay to leave fields blank. It is recommended that you note in the Reviewer's Notes box at the bottom of each Form if information was not available. This will help you write your Case Narrative and help you to justify incomplete information to your committee.





### **Edit A Case**

- 1. Once you enter data into MMRIA, cases will be listed on the Summary Page (FIGURE 13).
- 2. To view or edit a case, click the "select" button located at the end of the listing line (FIGURE 13).
- Clicking on the "select" button will direct you to the Home Record page (FIGURE 14). You
  can navigate to the Form for review or revision by clicking on the "Case Forms" dropdown menu (4).

FIGURE 13

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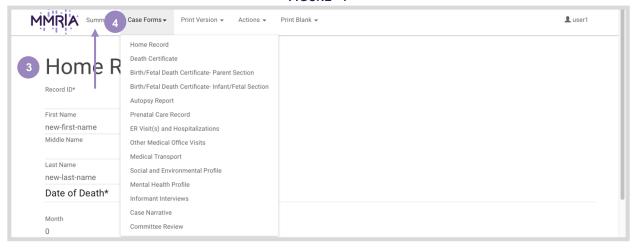
Line Listing Summary

Add New Case

Print Blank Pr







Tip: At any point, you can return to the Home Screen by clicking "Summary" on the tool bar

# 2. Actions

Clicking on the Actions button will display a drop-down menu displaying: Show Data Dictionary (1) and View Aggregate Report (2) (FIGURE 15). You can view a snapshot of all case information entered via the Aggregate Report. Navigating to Show Data Dictionary or View Aggregate Report will open a new window or tab in your browser.

FIGURE 2



Refer to the <u>Data Dictionary</u> and <u>View Aggregate Report</u> sections above for more information.





# 3. Print Blank

You have the option to print blank case Forms (FIGURE 16).

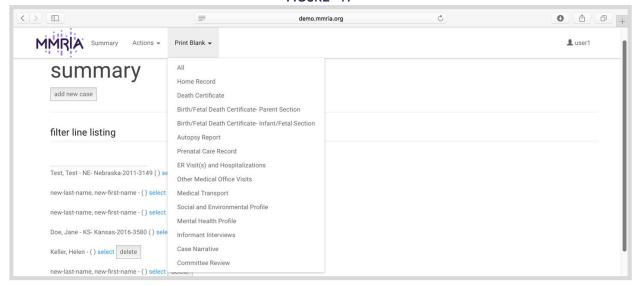
# **Steps for Printing Blank Forms**

- You can print blank Forms from the "summary" page (FIGURE 16) or while in a case (FIGURE 17).
- • Click on the "Print Blank" button in the tool bar to reveal the drop-down options (FIGURE 17).
- Select individual Forms or select "All" to print all of the blank Forms.





FIGURE 17







# Case Forms

The following sections will highlight the 11 case forms within MMRIA. Data may be entered in any order. You will be directed to the Home Record after selecting "Add New Case" or selecting a previously entered case for review or edit.

# **Menu Options**

The menu options at the top of the page are different than those on the preceding Forms. You will now view the subsequent options:

- Summary returns you to summary page
- • Case Forms displays a drop-down list of Forms
- Print Version enables you to print a completed case or specific completed Forms
- Actions enables you to populate core elements, show data dictionary, or view aggregate report
- Print Blank enables you to print all blank Forms or specific Forms





### **Home Record Form**

The Home Record Form is divided into three components: Record ID, Date of Death, and Case Progress.

# **Record ID**

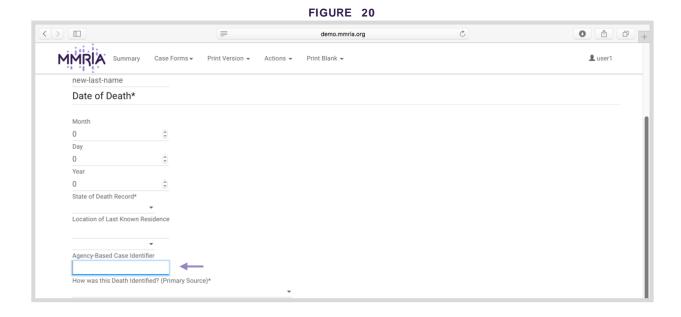
The Record ID is automatically generated once you complete the <u>Last Name</u>, <u>Year of Death</u> and <u>State of Death</u> fields and click in the Record ID field (**FIGURE 19**). The Record ID consists of your *2 letter state acronym* + the year of death + a random 4-digit number.





# **Agency-Based Case Identifier**

The Agency-Based Case Identifier field, (FIGURE 20), is for internal reference and is based on your jurisdiction or state system. If your jurisdiction does not use an internal reference number, you can leave this field blank.







# **Case Progress Report**

The Case Progress Report (FIGURE 21) allows you to track your abstraction progress as you fill out each Form in MMRIA. You are presented with the following options:

- Not Started
- In Progress
- Completed
- Not Available
- Not Applicable

FIGURE 21

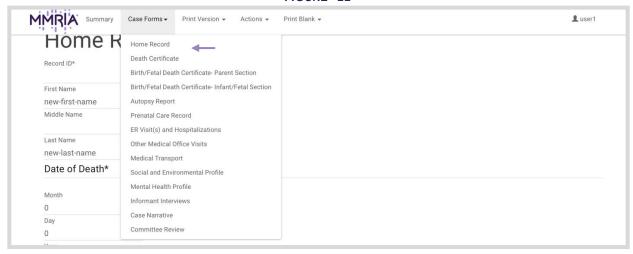


# **Death Certificate Form**

To navigate to the Death Certificate Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Death Certificate" (FIGURE 22).







## Place of Last Residence and Geocoding

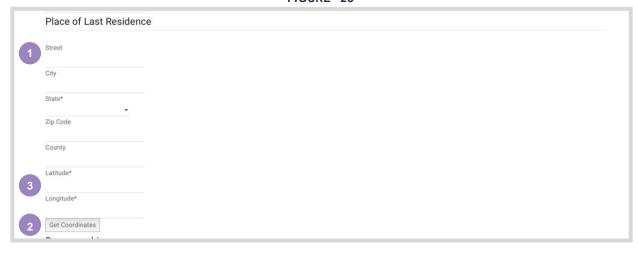
This section of the Death Certificate is specific to the address of the deceased, and <u>not</u> the location of death, i.e. name of the medical facility where the woman died. The full address, along with other identifying information will not be visible to the Committee Reviewer role. MMRIA uses geocoding to support social and health system context for case discussion and analyses and enable distance calculations. A complete address is required to successfully geocode an address. MMRIA's "Get Coordinates" button is linked to Texas A&M's Geoservices geocoding system web services.

- 1. Enter the full address
- 2. Click on "Get Coordinates." Latitude and longitude values will appear.





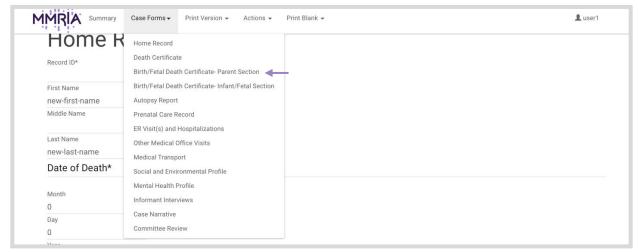
FIGURE 23



# Birth/Fetal Death Certificate - Parent Section Form

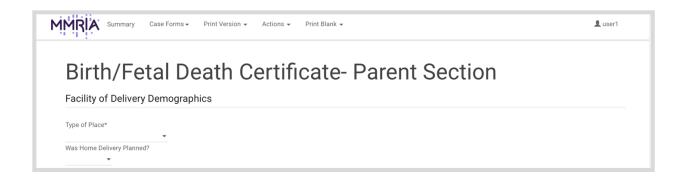
To navigate to the Birth/Fetal Death Certificate – Parent Section Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Birth/Fetal Death Certificate – Parent Section" (**FIGURE 24**). This Form collects information <u>only</u> on the parents and <u>not</u> the infant or fetus. Infant and fetus information is collected on the Birth/Fetal Death Certificate— Infant/Fetal Section Form.

FIGURE 24









Race and ethnicity (FIGURE 25) are captured in the data system just as they are recorded on the source document.

**Note:** The Race Recode – is Coming Soon. The "Recode" button will code race in accordance with the standards set by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Race and Ethnic Standards for Federal Statistics and Administrative Reporting<sup>2</sup>.

FIGURE 3

Father's Race Father's Race (Select All That Apply) White American Indian/Alaska Native Native Hawaiian Guamanian or Chamorro Samoan Other Pacific Islander Asian Indian Filipino Korean Other Asian Chinese Japanese Vietnamese Other Race Race Not Specified Specify Other Race Specify Other Asian Specify Other Pacific Islander Specify Principal Tribe Father's OMB Race Recode Recode





 $<sup>2. \</sup> Revisions to the \ Standards for the \ Classification of Federal \ Data on \ Race and \ Ethnicity \ is available from the OMB \ website at \ \underline{http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/fedreg/1997standards.html}.$ 

Mother's Race	
Mother's Race (Select All That Apply	
White	
Black	
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	
Native Hawaiian	
Guamanian or Chamorro	
Samoan	
Other Pacific Islander	
Asian Indian	
Filipino	
Korean	
Other Asian	
Chinese	
Japanese	
Vietnamese	
Other race	
Race not specified	
Specify Other Race	
Specify Other Asian	
Specify Other Pacific Islander	
Specify Principal Tribe	
Mother's OMB Race Recode	
Recode	

Complete addresses are required to populate the latitude and longitude fields; this information is used to calculate distance in miles from Residence to Place of Delivery (FIGURE 27). Place your cursor in the field to generate the Distance from Residence to Place of Delivery.

### FIGURE 5

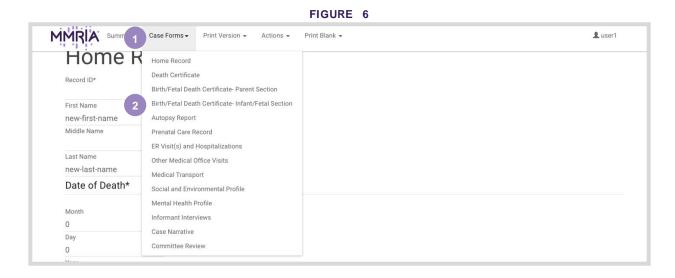






### Birth/Fetal Death Certificate - Infant/Fetal Section Form

To navigate to the Birth/Fetal Death Certificate – Infant/Fetal Section Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Birth/Fetal Death Certificate – Infant/Fetal Section" (FIGURE 28). To add a new record, click on "View Record 1" (FIGURE 29). To add information for more than one birth or fetal death, click on "Add New Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal Section Form."



# Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal Section form record 1 FIGURE 7 Print Version Actions Print Blank Version Actions Print Blank Print Blan

After you click on "View Record 1," the Form below will appear on the screen (FIGURE 29). If another birth or fetal death should be added, click on "Case Forms," navigate to "Birth/Fetal Death Certificate – Infant/Fetal Section," and repeat steps.







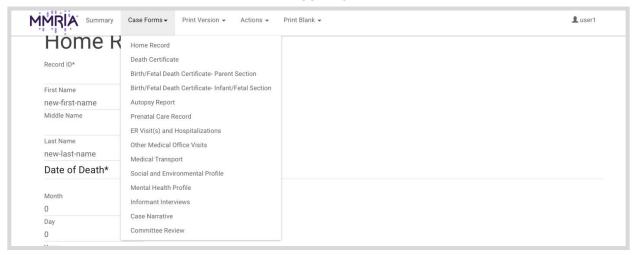
# **Autopsy Report**

To navigate to the Autopsy Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Autopsy Report" (FIGURE 31). FIGURE 32 illustrates the sections of the Autopsy Report Form.

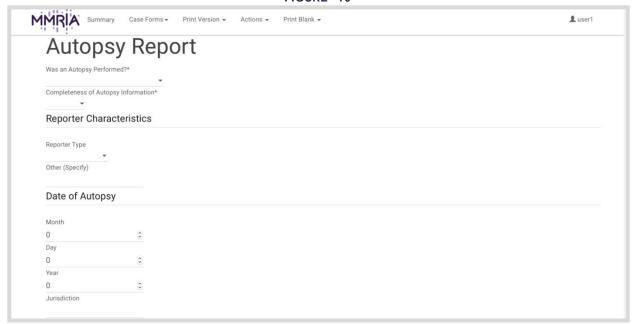
You may wish to copy and paste sections of the actual Autopsy Report into the Reviewer's Notes section at the bottom of the Form. Remember to always exclude any identifying information about people or facilities from Reviewer's Notes text areas.







### FIGURE 10



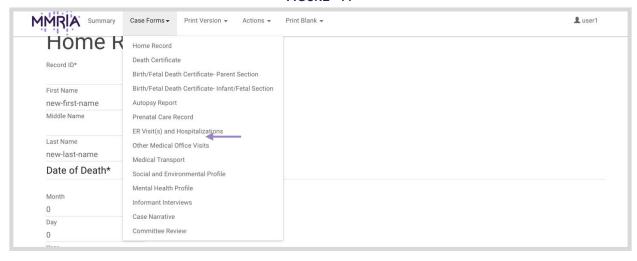
### **Prenatal Care Record Form**

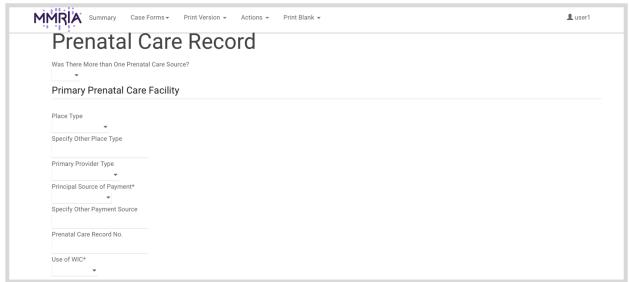
To navigate to the Prenatal Care Record Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Prenatal Care Record" (FIGURE 33). FIGURE 34 displays the sections of the Prenatal Care Record Form.





FIGURE 11





### PRENATAL CARE RECORD GRAPHS

Below the Routine Monitoring Grid, you will see three graphs: Blood Pressure, Weight Gain, and Hematocrit. If you enter data for these values in the Routine Monitoring Grid, you can view it in these graphs. To generate the graphs: enter values in the Routine Monitoring Grid above the graphs. Navigate to any other Form in MMRIA, and then navigate back to the Prenatal Care Record. Values will be displayed in the graphs.

Note: If any line within a Grid is blank, a default x-axis value of 1/1/1970 and y-axis values of 0 will appear in the graphs. You can correct the graph by deleting the blank line in the Grid, navigating to another Form, and navigating back to the Prenatal Care Record.





# **ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form**

To navigate to the ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "ER Visits and Hospitalizations" (FIGURE 35). To add a new record, click on "View Record 1" (FIGURE 36). To add information for more than one ER Visit or Hospitalization, click on "Add New ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form" (FIGURE 26).

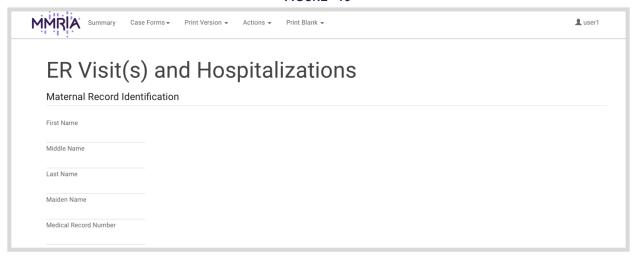
FIGURE 13 MMRIA Summary Case Forms - Print Version - Actions -Print Blank user1 Home R Home Record Death Certificate Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent Section Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal Section First Name Middle Name Prenatal Care Record ER Visit(s) and Hospitalizations Last Name new-last-name Date of Death\* Month Case Narrative Committee Review



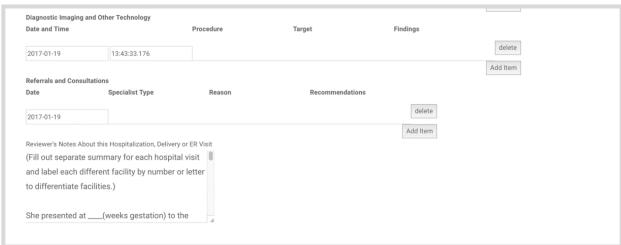
After you click on "View Record 1," the ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form will appear on the screen (FIGURE 37). If there were multiple ER Visits or Hospitalizations, click on "Case Forms," navigate to "ER Visits and Hospitalizations," and repeat steps.







### FIGURE 16



# ER VISITS AND HOSPITALIZATIONS FORM GRAPHS

Below the Vital Signs Grid, you will see four graphs: Temperature, Pulse, Respiration, and Blood Pressure. If you enter data for these values in the Vital Signs Grid, you can view it in these graphs. To generate the graphs: enter values in the Vital Signs Grid above the graphs. Navigate to any other Form in MMRIA, and then navigate back to the ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form. Values will be displayed in the graphs.

Note: If any line within a Grid is blank, a default x-axis value of 1/1/1970 00:00:00 and y-axis values of 0 will appear in the graphs. You can correct the graph by deleting the blank line in the Grid, navigating to another Form, and navigating back to the ER Visits and Hospitalizations Form.





### Other Medical Office Visits Form

To navigate to the Other Medical Office Visits Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Other Medical Office Visits" (FIGURE 39). To add a new record, click on "View Record 1" (FIGURE 40). To add information for more than one Other Medical Office Visit, click on "Add New Other Medical Office Visits Form" (FIGURE 40).

FIGURE 17 MMRIA Summary Case Forms • Print Version • Actions • Print Blank -**1** user1 Home R Home Record Death Certificate Record ID\* Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent Section Birth/Fetal Death Certificate-Infant/Fetal Section First Name new-first-name Middle Name Prenatal Care Record ER Visit(s) and Hospitalizations Last Name Other Medical Office Visits new-last-name Date of Death\* Social and Environmental Profile Month Case Narrative Day Committee Review 0

FIGURE 18

MMRIA Summary Case Forms Print Version Actions Print Blank

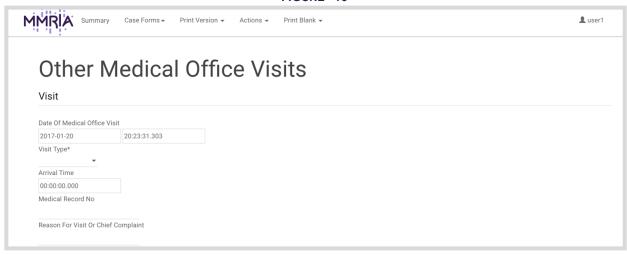
Other Medical Office Visits

add new Other Medical Office Visits form
record 1

After you click on "View Record 1," the Form below will appear on the screen (FIGURE 41). If there were multiple Other Medical Office Visits, click on "Case Forms," navigate to "Other Medical Office Visits," and repeat steps.







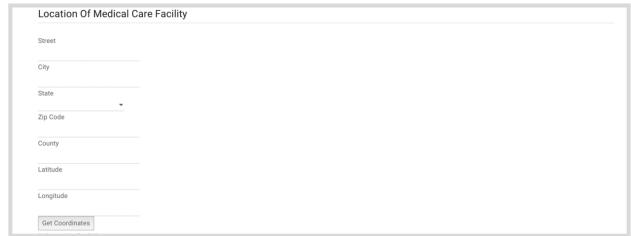
# **Location of Medical Care Facility**

Remember that within the Reviewer Committee role, complete addresses will be de-identified – only the state will appear.

- Enter the full address.
- Click on "Get Coordinates."

The "Get Coordinates" button (FIGURE 42) helps with geocoding for mapping. This is a two-step process involving collecting latitude/longitude and FIPS block level information. The latitude and longitude can aid analyses.

FIGURE 20







## **Medical Transport Form**

To navigate to the Medical Transport Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Medical Transport" (FIGURE 43). To add a new record, click on "View Record 1" (FIGURE 44). To add information for more than one Medical Transport, click on "Add New Medical Transport Form" (FIGURE 44).

FIGURE 21 MMRIA Summary Case Forms - Print Version - Actions - Print Blank -**1** user1 Home R Home Record Death Certificate Record ID\* Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent Section Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal Section First Name new-first-name Middle Name Prenatal Care Record ER Visit(s) and Hospitalizations Last Name Other Medical Office Visits new-last-name Date of Death\* Social and Environmental Profile Month Informant Interviews Case Narrative Day Committee Review 0

FIGURE 22

MMRIA Summary Case Forms Print Version Actions Print Blank User1

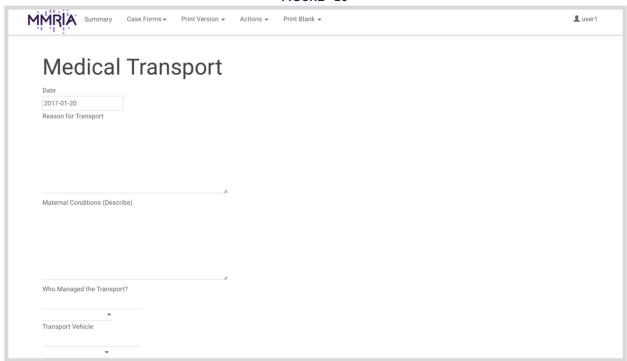
Medical Transport form record 1

After you click "View Record 1" (FIGURE 45), the Form below will appear on the screen (FIGURE 45). If there were multiple Medical Transports, click on "Case Forms," navigate to "Medical Transport," and repeat steps above.



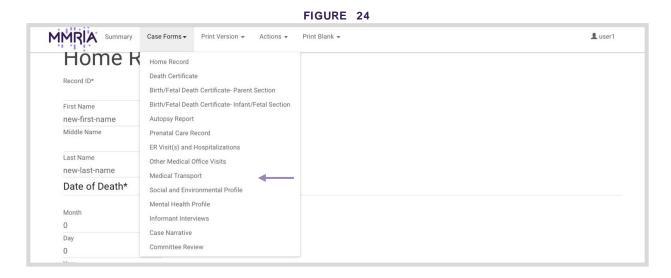


FIGURE 23



## Social and Environmental Profile Form

The Social and Environmental Profile should be completed for each case that you abstract and review. To navigate to the Social and Environment Profile Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Social and Environment Profile" (FIGURE 46).







### **Mental Health Profile Form**

Case Narrative

Committee Review

Day

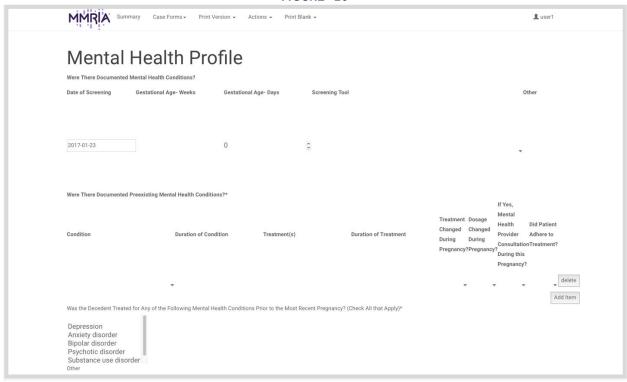
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To navigate to the Mental Health Profile Form, click on "Case Forms" (FIGURE 47) and select "Mental Health Profile" (FIGURE 48).

MMRIA Summary Case Forms - Print Version - Actions -Print Blank + **1** user1 Home R Home Record Death Certificate Record ID\* Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent Section Birth/Fetal Death Certificate-Infant/Fetal Section First Name new-first-name Middle Name Prenatal Care Record ER Visit(s) and Hospitalizations Last Name Other Medical Office Visits new-last-name Date of Death\* Month

FIGURE 25

#### FIGURE 26







### Informant Interviews Form

To navigate to the Informant Interviews Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Informant Interviews" (FIGURE 49). To add a new record, click on "Record 1" (FIGURE 50). To add information for more than one Informant Interview, click on "Add New Informant Interview Form" (FIGURE 50).

FIGURE 49

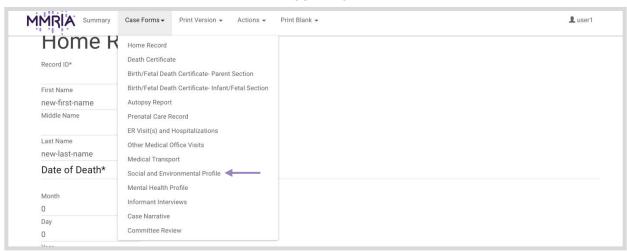


FIGURE 50

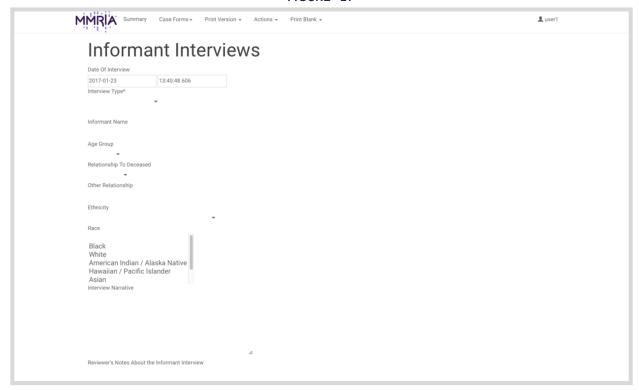


After you click on "View Record 1", the Form below will appear on the screen (FIGURE 51). If there were multiple Informant Interviews, click on "Case Forms," navigate to "Informant Interviews," and repeat steps above.





#### FIGURE 27



#### **Case Narrative Form**

To navigate to the Case Narrative Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Case Narrative".

#### HOW TO USE THE CASE NARRATIVE FORM

Within the Case Narrative Form, you will see the Reviewer's Notes from the various Forms carried over into one place. At the very bottom is a text box labeled Case Narrative- this is where you can write your case narrative to print for your committee. You may use the template provided and edit it as needed.

You can copy and paste from the Reviewer's Notes boxes into the Case Narrative box at the very bottom to write a comprehensive Case Narrative. To copy and paste from the Reviewer's Notes boxes, highlight the text you wish to copy, right click, and select Copy. Then place your cursor in the Case Narrative box at the very bottom of the Form, right click, and select Paste.

You can also copy and paste text from Word, Notepad or other documents outside of MMRIA. Text may be copied into MMRIA; however, Formatting will not be maintained (e.g. bold, italics, and underlines). Pasting images or other file types is not currently supported in MMRIA

When you have completed your case narrative, you can preview or print it by going to Print Version and clicking "Case Narrative." You will see the Case Narrative displayed there (FIGURE 52).





#### FIGURE 52

MMRIA
Case Narrative
She was a (age, place of birth, race/ethnicity, marriage status, level education, occupation). She was a gravida

**Note**: Currently, the Case Narrative does not display line breaks, line skips or indents. In the future, the Case Narrative display will include formatting for easier reading. If you wish to re-format the Case Narrative you can always copy and paste it into Word or another file format.

#### **Committee Decisions Form**

To navigate to the Committee Decisions Form, click on "Case Forms" and select "Committee Decisions".

#### HOW TO USE THE COMMITTEE DECISIONS FORM

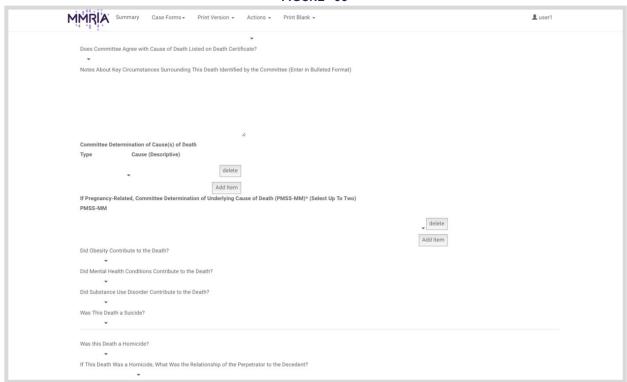
The Committee Decisions form is perhaps the most important form within MMRIA, because it captures the findings of your committee and helps your committee prioritize action. It is crucial to assign a person to take notes on the "paper" version of the Committee Decisions form (Appendix) BEFORE each case goes for review. This person may or may not be the same person who abstracted the case. You can also give copies of the form to each committee member for each case and collect their forms at the end of each meeting, in order to capture all possible input on a case. Once the meeting has finished and a case is closed, an abstractor or other assigned data entry person should enter the findings into the system as soon as possible.

Though the formatting differs, the content of the "paper" version of the form matches the content of the Committee Decisions form within the system (FIGURE 53).





#### FIGURE 53





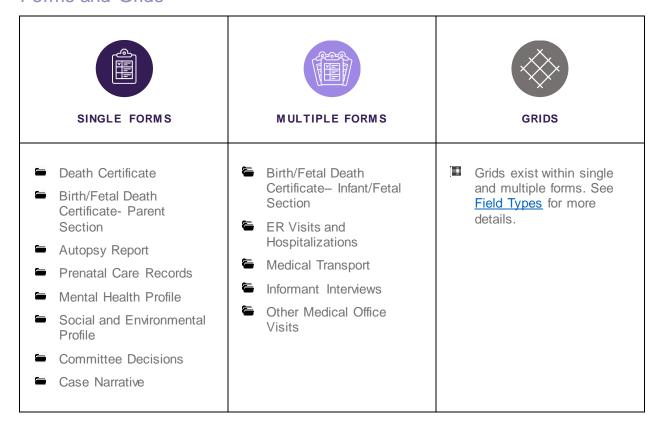


## G. DATA ANALYSIS

## Data Structure

The MMRIA data structure is a hierarchical database, with two levels in the hierarchy. The first level is composed of Forms for which you can have only one per case (Single Forms) and Forms for which you can have more than one per case (Multiple Forms). The second level is composed of Grids that exist within the Single and Multiple Forms.

## Forms and Grids



The data is stored by MMRIA in JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) Format. While it is possible to import JSON Formatted data directly into some data analysis tools, MMRIA also has a data export function that provides CSV files for analysis. These data files are structured like a relational database.

## Core Elements Report

The Core Elements Report, unlike in MMRDS, is now a report rather than a data entry Form. The data used to create this report come from the other Forms in MMRIA. This report can be printed to support case review processes and exported as a data table to support MMRC analyses.





## Data Export

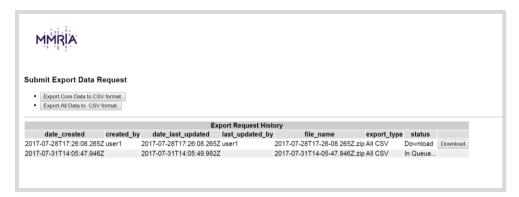
Data tables are exported as CSV files from MMRIA. All 1<sup>st</sup> level Single Forms, are merged and output as one file, named *mmria\_case\_export*. The Core Elements report is exported as a separate CSV file, named *core\_mmria\_export*. A separate CSV file is also created for each of the five 1<sup>st</sup> level Multiple Forms, and each of the 53 Grids. The CSV files are named to reflect the Forms where they originated and contents of the Grid.

In addition, there are two mapping files that are exported with the CSV files. One is for the Forms and Grids (*field\_mapping*) and the other is for the Core Elements (*core\_field\_mapping*). These mapping files are a reference tool for you, and provide the File name, Path, and the Variable name.

All files are exported into a folder called "Export", which is located at C:\temp\mmria-export. Once exported, these files are ready for analysis. Some analyses may require you to merge two or more of the exported CSV files.

## **Export Data**

 On the top Menu Bar, navigate to Actions → Export Data. A new tab will open in your browser titled "Submit Export Data Request."



- 2. Choose either "Export Core Data to csv format" or "Export All Data to CSV format."
- 3. A new line item will appear in the Export Request History with "Confirmation Required" in the Status column. Confirm your request by selecting the "Confirm" button.
- 4. The "In Queue" message will appear. This process can take several minutes, and may be slower or faster depending on the number of cases you have in MMRIA. The core export is generally faster than the export of all data.
- 5. When the "Download" button appears, click Download and a zip file will be generated.\* The name of the zip file is formatted as an ISO Date and Time String: YYYY-MM-DD T hh:mm:ss Z. \*It may be necessary to clear your browsing history prior to downloading the files. To do so in Google Chrome select Settings. Under Advanced, select Privacy and Security, then select Clear Browsing Data.
- 6. Open the zip file to view the individual csv files.
- 7. Save the zip file to your local computer for offline access. You can also re-run the download of any export at a later date.





You may wish to delete previous exports from your Export Request History. This is recommended to improve the speed of future exports. Save copies of any previous data exports to a secure location, and then use the "Delete" button to remove them from your Export Request History.

## Relating Your Data:

Any of the CSV files can be imported into the software of your choice for analysis. There will be times that you will want to relate two or more of the CSV files.

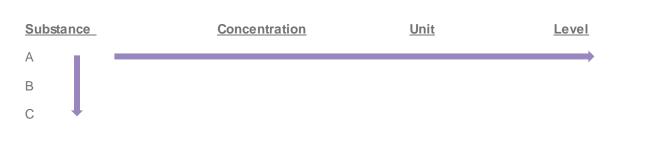
Single-Single	1st level to 1st level	1 key used	Key is _id in both sources						
Single-Multiple	1st level to 1st level	1 key used	Key is _id in both sources						
Single-Grid	1st level to 2nd level	1 key used	Key is _id in both sources						
Multiple-Multiple	1 <sup>st</sup> level to 1 <sup>st</sup> level	1 key used	Key is _id in both sources						
Multiple-Grid	1st level to 2nd level	3 keys used	Keys in Multiple Form Files are _id and						
			record_index, and in the Grid Files are _						
			id and parent_record_index.						

## **Data Export: Grids**

Grids are used to capture data in cases where users have more than one entry per Form and the entry has related fields. One example is the Toxicology Grid on the Autopsy Report Form.

You can input multiple substances and indicate characteristics for each substance, such as concentration, unit, and level, as illustrated below.

### TOXICOLOGY GRID ON THE AUTOPSY REPORT FORM



Below is a list of each Form that Contains at least 1 Grid, and the numbers of Grids contained within that Form.

#### SINGLE FORMS:

- Death Certificate [1 Grid]
- Autopsy Report [4 Grids]
- Prenatal Care Record [13 Grids]
- Social and Environmental Profile [5 Grids]
- Mental Health Profile [2 Grids]





Committee Decisions [3 Grids]

#### **MULTIPLE FORMS:**

- Birth/Fetal Death Certificate Infant/Fetal section [1 Grid]
- ER Visits and Hospitalizations [13 Grids]
- Other Medical Office Visits [10 Grids]
- • Medical Transport [1 Grid]

## **Analysis of MMRIA Data: Considerations**

- You are most likely to use only one to three Forms, with their associated Grids, during data analysis. The Core Elements, Committee Decisions Form, and Death Certificate, along with their associated Grids, together provide the data an analyst would need to support both routine and topic specific analyses.
- • Some Forms and Grids may never be used in analysis. This is because they are there for other purposes, such as case narrative development.
- Variables in the CSV output data files were named using the following convention:
  - The first 3 letters of the first 3 words of the Form name +
  - The first letter of each word in the MMRIA path +
  - The first 5 letters of the last word in the MMRIA path

For example: the variable for place type, of the medical care facility, on the Other Medical Office Visits Form (path:

other\_medical\_office\_visits/medical\_care\_facility/place\_type) is omovmcf\_p\_type)

The path and variable names are located in the field\_mapping CSV file.

If there is a duplicate variable name based on this algorithm, MMRIA creates a unique alphanumeric name. In future releases of MMRIA, these alphanumeric names will be replaced with a descriptive name.

## **Example Analyses**

Below are some examples of questions that you might pursue, along with the required data files.

- What proportion of pregnancy-associated deaths are pregnancy-related?
  - Data file: Core Elements
- What are the leading underlying causes of pregnancy-related death? How do they vary?
  - Data file: Core Elements
- What are the most and least preventable underlying causes of pregnancy-related death?
  - Data file: Core Elements
- What are the common contributing factors of the leading and most preventable causes of pregnancy-related death?
  - Date files: Core Elements merged with Contributing Factors Grid
- What recommendations for action were made for the leading and most preventable causes of pregnancy-related death?
  - Data files: Core Elements merged with Committee Recommendations Grid
- • What recommendations for action for the leading and most preventable causes of pregnancy-related death would have the largest impact?





• Data files: Core Elements merged with Committee Recommendations Grid



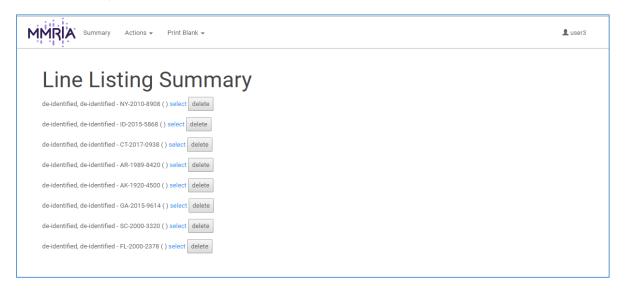


## H. REVIEWING CASES

If you are a Committee Member wishing to view cases in MMRIA, you will need to contact your User Admin(s) to receive access to MMRIA. Refer to the <u>Logging In</u> section for guidance.

## How to Use the Committee Reviewer Role

Once you have logged in, you will see a Line Listing Summary page displaying all cases that have been entered into MMRIA by your committee's abstractors. Note that the first and last names have been redacted and replaced with "de-identified" for each case.



**Note**: next to each case you see a "delete" button. This has been disabled. Though it appears you can delete a case, if you log out and log back in, the cases will re-appear. As a committee reviewer you can only **view** cases.

To view a case, click "select" to the right of the listing. You will be directed to the Home Record. To learn more about the contents each case form, refer to the <u>Case Forms</u> section of this User Guide.

## De-identified Fields

Within each case, you will see all of the forms that your committee's abstractors have access to. However, you will see that the following fields are de-identified:

	Form	Fields
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Home Record	First Name, Middle Name, Last Name							
	Month and Day of Death							
	Agency-Based Case Identifier							
Death Certificate	Time of Death							
	Local File No.							
	State File No.							
	Place of Last Residence- Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
	Month and Day of Birth							
	City of Birth							
	Month and Day of Injury							
	Time of Injury							
	Place of Injury (Place Name)							
	Location Where Injury Occurred- Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
	Place of Death- Facility Name, Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Parent	Delivery Facility NPI Number, Delivery Facility Name							
Section Section	Attendant's NPI							





	Name of Facility Mother Transferred From							
	Facility of Delivery Location Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
	Father's First Name, Middle Name, Last Name							
	Father's Month and Day of Birth							
	Father's City of Birth							
	Mother's First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Maiden Name, Medical Record Number							
	Mother's Month and Day of Birth							
	Mother's City of Birth							
	Location of Residence- Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
	Month and Day of Last Live Birth, Last Other Pregnancy Outcome, Last Normal Menses, First Prenatal Care Visit, Last Prenatal Care Visit							
Birth/Fetal Death Certificate- Infant/Fetal	Newborn/Fetus First Name, Middle Name, Last Name							
Section	State File No., Local File No., Medical Record No.							
	Facility- Name, City and State							
Autopsy Report	Month and Day of Autopsy							
	Jurisdiction							
Prenatal Care Record	Prenatal Care Record No.							





	Location of Primary Prenatal Care Facility-Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude									
	Month and Day that Birth Control was Discontinued									
	Month and Day of: Last Normal Menses, Estimated Date of Confinement (Estimated Date of Delivery), First Prenatal Visit, First Ultrasound, Last Prenatal Visit									
	Name, City and State of Intended Birthing Facility									
	Dates of: Routine Monitoring Other Laboratory Tests, Diagnostic Procedures, Problems Identified, Medications/Drugs and Adverse Reactions During Pregnancy, Pre-Delivery Hospitalizations or ER Visits, Medical Referrals, Prenatal Care Other than the Primary Provider									
ER Visits and Hospitalizations	First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Maiden Name									
Tioopitaii2ationi	Medical Record Number									
	Month and Day of Arrival at Hospital/ER, Admission to Hospital, Discharge from ER/Hospital									
	Facility Name									
	Facility NPI Number									
	Facility Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude									
	Date/Times of: Internal Transfers, Physical Examinations and Evaluations, Psychological Examinations and Assessments, Laboratory Tests, Pathology, Vital Signs, Medications, Surgical Procedures, Blood Transfusions or Blood Products, Diagnostic Imaging and Other Technology, Referrals and Consultations									
	Month and Day of: Onset of Labor, Rupture of Membranes,									
	Birth Attendant(s) NPI Numbers									
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Other Medical Office Visits	Month and Day of Medical Office Visit							
	Medical Record No							
	Location of Medical Care Facility- Street, City, Zip Code, County, Latitude, Longitude							
	Date/Times of: Vital Signs, Laboratory Tests, Diagnostic Imaging and Other Technology, Physical Exams, Referrals and Consultations, Medications							
Medical Transport	Month and Day of Medical Transport							
	Date/Times of: Transport Vital Signs, Departure, Arrival, Patient Contact							
	Place of Destination							
Social and Environmental Profile	Date/Times of: Social and Medical Referrals							
	Names of Sources of Social Services Information							
Mental Health Profile	Date of Screening							
Informant Interviews	Informant Name							
	Month and Day of Interview							





## Note on Display:

All de-identified Times display as "12:00 AM".

All de-identified Dates within grids display as "2001-01-01".

All de-identified Date/Time fields within grids display as "0001-01-01 00:00:00".

All de-identified text fields display as "de-identified."

**Note:** because dates are de-identified, it is important that your committee's abstractor(s) enter **gestational ages or days postpartum** for all events.

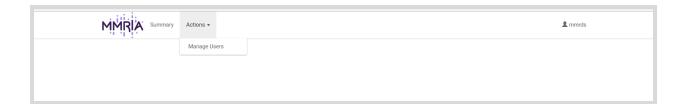
## I. USER ADMINISTRATION

MMRIA utilizes the CouchDB security system for user administration. The User Admin role assigns user names and passwords to each MMRIA user within a jurisdiction. Through the MMRIA interface, the User Admin can assign any of 3 user roles to a user: Abstractor, Committee Reviewer, or Form Designer.

For information on who should be assigned what user role, refer to the <u>User Roles</u> section above.

**Note:** The initial User Admin role is created during the setup of the MMRIA database, through the CouchDB interface. Additional User Admins can be assigned through the CouchDB interface as needed. It is recommended that one or two trusted people within your jurisdiction have User Admin roles assigned.

If you are a User Admin, log in with your user name and password. From the Home Screen, click on "Actions", and "Manage Users".







Within the "Manage Users" page, you will see a list of all users and the option to add new users, remove users, and add or remove roles for users.



## Add Users

To add a new user, scroll to the bottom of the page and enter a username (recommended: use emails as usernames). Then click the "add new user" button.



The new user will appear. You must then add a role or multiple roles for the user. For information on user roles, refer to the <u>User Roles</u> section above.

Once you have added a user role, click the "save user changes" button. Currently, each time you make a change to a click the "save user changes" button, you must reset the password. Changes to user roles will take effect immediately.

The MMRIA Team recommends that usernames be configured as the email address of the person. In the future, automated emails will generate to notify of changes in accounts. Currently, the User Admin needs to provide each user with their username and password, outside of the system. The User Admin also





must manually reset any user passwords as needed. In the future, users will be able to reset their own passwords and will have usernames sent to them through email.

Passwords must be at least 8 characters. There are no other inherent password restrictions. Usernames must be at least 5 characters; again, using email addresses as usernames is recommended.

## Remove Users

The functionality to remove a user does not yet exist in the user interface. To disable a user account, you must change the user's password. Changing the password will immediately take effect, preventing the user from logging in.

## A Note on Users with Multiple Roles

It is best to assign each user one role. If a user is assigned to committee reviewer role along with an abstractor role, the user will see the system as a committee reviewer (de-identified values in fields).





## J. ADDING FIELDS AND FORMS

The Form Designer role allows you to customize Forms with a tool called the metadata editor. With Form Designer access you can add, edit, and delete fields and Forms. The MMRIA Team cautions against adding or editing Forms or fields, as MMRIA aims to standardize a national system and because maintaining any changes to the "core" MMRIA forms requires effort within your jurisdiction. Before choosing to add or edit fields, you should consider:

- Can the information be captured in a Reviewer's Notes field?
- Is it data that other states should also be capturing?

If you decide that a new field or Form is needed please reach out to <a href="MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov">MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov</a>, for guidance on using the Form Designer role and the Metadata Editor.









## K. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## I accidentally deleted a record - can it be recovered?

Deleted records do not get exported to a data set and are marked for deletion; contact <a href="MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov">MMRIAsupport@cdc.gov</a> if you need assistance to recover a deleted record.

#### Will I see other abstractor's cases?

Yes, if your jurisdiction is hosting MMRIA on a file network or webserver. However, if MMRIA is hosted on a desktop you will only see your own cases.

#### How should I handle a "false positive" case?

False positives, or cases where a woman was not in fact pregnant within one year of her death, **should** be entered into MMRIA. They can help your state to monitor the number of false positives you encounter and analyze the characteristics of these false positives. To enter a False Positive, complete all of the data on the Home Record and the Death Certificate Form. Then on the Committee Decisions Form, select "Not Pregnancy Related or Associated (i.e. False Positive)".

#### Can CDC or other states see my state's data?

No, CDC and other states cannot view your data unless you choose to share it.

#### Can we divide a case among multiple abstractors?

If MMRIA is hosted on a desktop it cannot be divided among multiple abstractors. If MMRIA is hosted centrally it can be divided among multiple abstractors – do not work in the same case at the same time.

# Why does MMRIA ask for the same information multiple times on various Forms (i.e death certificate, birth certificate, and prenatal care)?

Names and demographic information are often inconsistent across source documents. Names can also change from event to event. Names may be misspelled or get reversed – this can be especially true with uncommon names. Inconsistencies in names and demographic information, or missing demographic information, across source documents can provide context around an event in a woman's life. For this reason, CDC recommends that information should always be abstracted exactly as is on the source document. Do not cut and paste from previous entries.





# **APPENDIX: COMMITTEE DECISIONS FORM**







REVIEW DATE	RECORD ID #	COMMITTEE DETE	ERMINATION OF CAUSE(S) OF DEATH
		ТҮРЕ	CAUSE (DESCRIPTIVE)
		IMMEDIATE	
PREGNANCY-RELATEDNESS:	SELECT ONE	CONTRIBUTING	
	uring pregnancy or within one year of the	UNDERLYING	
	pregnancy complication, a chain of events the aggravation of an unrelated condition s of pregnancy	OTHER SIGNIFICANT	
The death of a woman du	ATED, BUT NOT -RELATED uring pregnancy or within one year of the cause that is not related to pregnancy.	Refer to page 3 for PMSS-MM o	DMMITTEE DETERMINATION OF UNDERLYING CAUSE OF DEATH cause of death list. If more than one is selected, list in order of most compelling (1-2; no more than 2 may be selected in the system).
NOT PREGNANCY-REL     (i.e. woman was not preg	ATED OR -ASSOCIATED mant within one year of her death)		
UNABLE TO DETERMING OR -ASSOCIATED	NE IF PREGNANCY-RELATED	DID OBESITY CONTRIBUTE TO	D THE DEATH? YES PROBABLY NO UNKNOWN
		DID MENTAL HEALTH CONDICONTRIBUTE TO THE DEATH?	YES PROBABLY I NO I UNKNOWN
ESTIMATE THE DEGREE OF R AVAILABLE FOR THIS CASE:	ELEVANT INFORMATION (RECORDS)	DID SUBSTANCE USE DISORI CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEATH?	
		WAS THIS DEATH A SUICIDE?	☐ YES ☐ PROBABLY ☐ NO ☐ UNKNOWN
COMPLETE All records necessary for	3 0 . (	WAS THIS DEATH A HOMICID	E?
adequate review of the cowere available  MOSTLY COMPLETE  Minor gaps (i.e. information that would have been beneficial but was not essential to the review of the case)	to the review of the case)  NOT COMPLETE  Minimal records available for review (i.e. death certificate and no additional records)	IF HOMICIDE, SUICIDE, OR ACCIDENTAL DEATH, LIST THE MEANS OF FATAL INJURY	FIREARM
DOES THE COMMITTEE AGRE UNDERLYING CAUSE OF DEAT ON DEATH CERTIFICATE?	_ VEC _ NO	IF HOMICIDE, WHAT WAS THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PERPETRATOR TO THE DECEDENT?	□ NO RELATIONSHIP     □ OTHER     □ UNKNOWN       □ PARTNER     □ ACQUAINTANCE     □ NOT APPLICABLE       □ EX-PARTNER     □ OTHER, SPECIFY:       □ OTHER RELATIVE

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A death is considered preventable if the committee determines that there was at least some chance of the death being averted by one or more reasonable changes to patient, family, provider, facility, system and/or community factors.

WAS THIS DEATH PREVENTABLE? TYES TO NO.

CHANCE TO ALTER OUTCOME?

☐ GOOD CHANCE ☐ SOME CHANCE ☐ NO CHANCE ☐ UNABLE TO DETERMINE

#### CONTRIBUTING FACTORS WORKSHEET

What were the factors that contributed to this death? Multiple contributing factors may be present at each level.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

If there was at least some chance that the death could have been averted, what were the specific and feasible actions that, if implemented or altered, might have changed the course of events?

CONTRIBUTING FACTOR LEVEL	CONTRIBUTING FACTOR AND DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE	RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE	LEVEL OF PREVENTION (SELECT FROM MENU BELOW)	LEVEL OF IMPACT (SELECT FROM MENU BELOW)
PATIENT/FAMILY				
PROVIDER				
FACILITY				
SYSTEM				
COMMUNITY				

#### CONTRIBUTING FACTOR KEY (DESCRIPTIONS ON PAGE 4)

- Delay
- Adherence
- Knowledge
- Cultural/religious
- Environmental
- Violence
- Mental health conditions
- Substance use disorder - alcohol, Illicit/prescription drugs

- Tobacco use
- · Chronic disease
- · Childhood abuse/ trauma
- · Access/financial
- Unstable housing
- Social support/ Isolation
- · Equipment/technology
- Policies/procedures
- Communication

PREVENTION

· Continuity of care/

care coordination

· Clinical skill/

Enforcement

Assessment

Outreach

Referral

Legal

Other

quality of care

#### PRIMARY

Prevents the contributing factor before It ever occurs

#### \*SECONDARY

Reduces the Impact of the contributing factor once it has occurred (i.e. treatment)

#### • TERTIARY

Reduces the Impact or progression of an ongoing contributing factor once It has occurred (I.e. management of complications)

#### • SMALL

EXPECTED IMPACT LEVEL

Education/counseling (community- and/or provider-based health promotion and education activities)

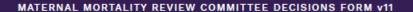
Clinical Intervention and coordination of care across continuum of well-woman visits through obstetrics (protocols, prescriptions)

Long-lasting protective intervention (improve readiness, recognition and response to obstetric emergencies/LARC)

#### • FXTRA LARGE

Change in context (promote environments that support healthy living/ ensure available and accessible services)

Address social determinants of health (poverty, inequality, etc.)





### IF PREGNANCY-RELATED, COMMITTEE DETERMINATION OF UNDERLYING CAUSE OF DEATH\* PMSS-MM

If more than one is selected, please list them in order of importance beginning with the most compelling (1-2; no more than 2 may be selected in the system).

\*PREGNANCY-RELATED DEATH: THE DEATH OF A WOMAN DURING PREGNANCY OR WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE END OF PREGNANCY FROM A PREGNANCY COMPLICATION, A CHAIN OF EVENTS INITIATED BY PREGNANCY, OR THE AGGRAVATION OF AN UNRELATED CONDITION BY THE PHYSIOLOGIC EFFECTS OF PREGNANCY.

	10 10.1 10.2 10.3	Hemorrhage (excludes aneurysms or CVA) Hemorrhage – rupture/laceration/ intra-abdominal bleeding Placental abruption Placenta previa			Collagen vascular/autoimmune diseases Systemic lupus erythematosis (SLE) Other collagen vascular diseases/NOS Conditions unique to pregnancy (e.g. gestational diabetes, hyperemesis, liver	93	Epilepsy/seizure disorder Other neurologic diseases/NOS Renal disease Chronic renal failure/End-stage renal disease (ESRD)
	10.4	Ruptured ectopic pregnancy			disease of pregnancy)		Other renal disease/NOS
	10.5	Hemorrhage - uterine atony/postpartum hemorrhage		88 88.1	Injury Intentional (homicide)	95	Cerebrovascular accident (hemorrhage/ thrombosis/aneurysm/ malformation)
П	10.6	Placenta accreta/increta/percreta	H		Unintentional		not secondary to hypertensive disease
	10.7	Hemorrhage due to retained placenta			Unknown/NOS	96	Metabolic/endocrine
	10.8	Hemorrhage due to primary DIC		89	Cancer		Obesity
	10.9	Other hemorrhage/NOS		89.1	Gestational trophoblastic disease (GTD)		Diabetes mellitus
	20	Infection		89.3	Malignant melanoma	96.9	Other metabolic/endocrine disorders
	20.1	Postpartum genital tract (e.g. of the uterus/		89.9	Other malignancies/NOS	97	Gastrointestinal disorders
		pelvis/perineum/necrotizing fasciitis)		90	Cardiovascular conditions	97.1	Crohn's disease/ulcerative colitis
	20.2	Sepsis/septic shock		90.1	Coronary artery disease/myocardial	97.2	Liver disease/failure/transplant
	20.4	Chorioamnionitis/antepartum infection			infarction (MI)/atherosclerotic	97.9	Other gastrointestinal diseases/NOS
	20.5	Non-pelvic infections (e.g. pneumonia, TB,			cardiovascular disease	100	Mental health conditions
		meningitis, HIV)		90.2	Pulmonary hypertension	100.1	Depression
		Urinary tract infection		90.3	Valvular heart disease congenital and		Other psychiatric conditions/NOS
		Other infections/NOS			acquired	999	Unknown COD
	30	Embolism - thrombotic (non-cerebral)			Vascular aneurysm/dissection (non-cerebral)		
		Other embolism/NOS			Hypertensive cardiovascular disease		
	31	Embolism – amniotic fluid			Marfan Syndrome		
	40	Preeclampsia			Conduction defects/arrhythmias		
	50	Eclampsia		90.8	Vascular malformations outside head and		
	60	Chronic hypertension with superimposed			coronary arteries		
		preeclampsia		90.9	Other cardiovascular disease, including CHF,		
	70	Anesthesia complications			cardiomegaly, cardiac hypertrophy, cardiac		
	80	Cardiomyopathy			fibrosis, nonacute myocarditis/NOS		
	80.1	Postpartum/peripartum cardiomyopathy		91	Pulmonary conditions (excludes ARDS-Adult		
	80.2	Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy	_		respiratory distress syndrome)		
_	80.9	Other cardiomyopathy/NOS	_	91.1	Chronic lung disease		
_	82	Hematologic	_		Cystic fibrosis		
	82.1	Sickle cell anemia		91.3	Asthma		
Ш	62.9	Other hematologic conditions including		91.9	Other pulmonary disease/NOS Neurologic/neurovascular conditions		
		thrombophilias/TTP/HUS/NOS	Ш	92			
					(excluding CVAs)		

#### CONTRIBUTING FACTOR DESCRIPTIONS

#### **DELAY OR FAILURE TO SEEK CARE**

The woman was delayed in seeking or did not access care, treatment, or follow-up care/actions (e.g. missed appointment and did not reschedule).

#### ADHERENCE TO MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The woman did not accept medical advice (e.g. refused treatment for religious or other reasons or left the hospital against medical advice).

# KNOWLEDGE - LACK OF KNOWLEDGE REGARDING IMPORTANCE OF EVENT OR OF TREATMENT OR FOLLOW-UP

The woman did not receive adequate education or lacked knowledge or understanding regarding the significance of a health event (e.g. shortness of breath as a trigger to seek immediate care) or lacked understanding about the need for treatment/follow-up after evaluation for a health event (e.g. needed to keep appointment for psychiatric referral after an ED visit for exacerbation of depression).

#### CULTURAL/RELIGIOUS, OR LANGUAGE FACTORS

Demonstration that any of these factors was either a barrier to care due to lack of understanding or led to refusal of therapy due to beliefs (or belief systems).

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS**

Factors related to weather or terrain (e.g. the advent of a sudden storm leads to a motor vehicle accident).

#### VIOLENCE AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE (IPV)

Physical or emotional abuse other than that perpetrated by intimate partner (e.g. family member or stranger); IPV: Physical or emotional abuse perpetrated by the woman's current or former intimate partner.

#### MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS

The woman carried a diagnosis of a psychiatric disorder. This includes postpartum depression.

## SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER - ALCOHOL, ILLICIT/PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Substance use disorder is characterized by recurrent use of alcohol and/or drugs causing clinically and functionally significant impairment, such as health problems or disability. The committee may determine that substance use disorder contributed to the death when the disorder directly compromised a woman's health status (e.g. acute methamphetamine intoxication exacerbated pregnancy-induced

hypertension, or woman was more vulnerable to infections or medical conditions).

#### TOBACCO USE

Woman's use of tobacco directly compromised the woman's health status (e.g. long-term smoking led to underlying chronic lung disease).

#### CHRONIC DISEASE

Occurrence of one or more significant pre-existing medical conditions (e.g. obesity, cardiovascular disease, or diabetes).

#### CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE/TRAUMA

Woman experienced rape, molestation, or other sexual exploitation during childhood plus persuasion, inducement, or coercion of a child to engage in sexually explicit conduct; or woman experienced physical or emotional abuse or violence other than that related to sexual abuse during childhood.

#### LACK OF ACCESS/FINANCIAL RESOURCES

System issues, e.g. lack or loss of healthcare insurance or other financial duress, as opposed to woman's noncompliance impacted woman's ability to care for herself (e.g. did not seek services because unable to miss work or afford postpartum visits after insurance expired). Other barriers to accessing care: insurance non-eligibility, provider shortage in woman's geographical area, and lack of public transportation.

#### UNSTABLE HOUSING

Woman lived "on the street" or in a homeless shelter or lived in transitional or temporary circumstances with family or friends.

#### SOCIAL SUPPORT/ISOLATION - LACK OF FAMILY/ FRIEND SUPPORT SYSTEM

Social support from family, partner, or friends was lacking, inadequate, and/or dysfunctional (e.g. domestic violence, no one to rely on to ensure appointments were kept).

#### INADEQUATE OR UNAVAILABLE EQUIPMENT/ TECHNOLOGY

Equipment was missing, unavailable, or not functional, (e.g. absence of blood tubing connector).

#### LACK OF STANDARDIZED POLICIES/PROCEDURES

The facility lacked basic policies or infrastructure germane to the woman's needs (e.g. response to high blood pressure or a lack of or outdated policy or protocol).

#### POOR COMMUNICATION/LACK OF CASE COORDINATION OR MANAGEMENT/ LACK OF CONTINUITY OF CARE (SYSTEM PERSPECTIVE)

Care was fragmented (i.e. uncoordinated or not comprehensive) among or between healthcare facilities or units, (e.g. records not available between inpatient and outpatient or among units within the hospital, such as Emergency Department and Labor and Delivery).

#### LACK OF CONTINUITY OF CARE

Care providers did not have access to woman's complete records or did not communicate woman's status sufficiently. Lack of continuity can be between prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum providers.

#### CLINICAL SKILL/QUALITY OF CARE

Personnel were not appropriately skilled for the situation or did not exercise clinical judgment consistent with current standards of care (e.g. error in the preparation or administration of medication or unavailability of translation services).

#### INADEQUATE COMMUNITY OUTREACH/RESOURCES

Lack of coordination between healthcare system and other outside agencies/organizations in the geographic/cultural area that work with maternal child health issues.

#### INADEOUATE LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE

Law enforcement response was not in a timely manner or was not appropriate or thorough in scope.

#### LACK OF REFERRAL OR CONSULTATION

Specialists were not consulted or did not provide care; referrals to specialists were not made.

## FAILURE TO SCREEN/INADEQUATE ASSESSMENT OF

Factors placing the woman at risk for a poor clinical outcome recognized, and the woman was not transferred/transported to a provider able to give a higher level of care.

#### LEGAL

Legal considerations that impacted outcome.