

# HISTORY

## DNACPR / CPR

- **Confirm patient has DNACPR**
- or-
- **CPR has been attempted but without success**

# EXAMINATION

## GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

- **Confirm no overt evidence of signs of life**
- **Patient should be observed for 5 minutes from time of presumed death**

## AIRWAY / BREATHING

- **Auscultate for at least 3 minutes:**
  - Confirm not present

## CIRCULATION

- **Palpate carotid pulse for at least 1 minute:**
  - Confirm not present
- **Auscultate heart sounds for at least 3 minutes:**
  - Confirm not present

## DISABILITY

- **Check pupillary response:**
  - Confirm fixed / dilated / unresponsive to light
- **Check motor response to pain:**
  - Confirm no response to supraorbital pressure

# DOCUMENTATION

## Document the following:

- Date / Time of when you were advised of patient death
- No overt signs of life
- No breath sounds
- No central pulse
- No heart sounds
- Pupil fixed / dilated / unresponsive to light
- No response to supraorbital painful stimuli
  
- Confirmation of patient death at: Date / Time
  - Note: time of death is time death is certified not when you were notified