Title
Death caused by Transportation

Description
While driving to work on October 5, 2010 at 0800am, Javier Luis Perez, lost control of his vehicle near 921 Automobile Blvd in Silver Spring, MD and crashed into several other vehicles. He sustained head and neck injuries and lacerations to his face. Witnesses on the scene called 9-1-1 and reported that Javier suddenly began driving erratically. He was taken by ambulance to Memorial hospital where Dr. Samuel Spade performed emergency surgery. Unfortunately, the surgery was not successful and Dr. Spade pronounced him dead at October 5, 2010 at 11:25am. A nurse started an EHR and entered basic identifying information, including the patient's name, his birth date, sex, home address (including Country and County of residence) and social security number. Dr. Spade added his own details as the death pronouncer, including his name and provider NPI. Mr. Perez's medical record indicated that he had a twenty year history of Epilepsy. Dr. Spade suspected that Javier had suffered a seizure while he was driving that morning, causing him to lose control of his vehicle. The doctor completed the cause of death section of the death certificate and included "Blunt head trauma" on line 1a and "Auto accident" on line 1b. He added "Epilepsy" to line 1c because he was of the opinion that this was the underlying cause of death. He indicated that the death was associated with a transportation event and that Javier was the driver. He also entered "Cerebrovascular Accident" as a significant condition related to the cause of death. Dr. Spade entered the injury location and the death location and entered the date and time and location at which the injury occurred, as well as the date and time that he signed the death certificate. He also entered the manner of death was an accident and noted that Javier was a non-smoker and that the death did not result from an injury at work. He also noted that no autopsy results were available for this decedent. Finally, he noted his own identifying information as the death certifier and noted the death certifier type as a "Physician certified death certificate". All information related to filing the death certificate is transmitted either via an ADT^A04 message (if Tester is using HL7 V2.6) or C-CDA from the EHR to the jurisdictional vital records office.

Comments
No Comments

Precondition
No PreCondition

Postcondition
No PostCondition

Test Objectives
No Objectives

Evaluation Criteria
No evaluation criteria

Notes for Tester
No Note