

# Privacy Impact Assessment Form

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Status 

Form Number

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Question

Answer

1 OPDIV:

2 PIA Unique Identifier:

2a Name:

3 The subject of this PIA is which of the following?

- General Support System (GSS)  
 Major Application  
 Minor Application (stand-alone)  
 Minor Application (child)  
 Electronic Information Collection  
 Unknown

3a Identify the Enterprise Performance Lifecycle Phase of the system.

3b Is this a FISMA-Reportable system?

- Yes  
 No

4 Does the system include a Website or online application available to and for the use of the general public?

- Yes  
 No

5 Identify the operator.

- Agency  
 Contractor

6 Point of Contact (POC):

POC Title POC Name POC Organization POC Email POC Phone 

7 Is this a new or existing system?

- New  
 Existing

8 Does the system have Security Authorization (SA)?

- Yes  
 No

8b Planned Date of Security Authorization

 Not Applicable

11 Describe the purpose of the system.

The National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) is an incident-based system designed to capture data on violent deaths (suicides, homicides, deaths of undetermined intent, and unintentional firearm deaths) in a relational database. This system allows data from law enforcement reports, death certificates, and coroner/medical examiner reports to be combined into one cohesive data base allowing a variety of public health professionals and decision-makers to analyze and understand the nature of and trends of violence in the United States. NVDRS is the only state-based surveillance (reporting) system that pools data on violent deaths from multiple sources into a usable, anonymous database.

12 Describe the type of information the system will collect, maintain (store), or share. (Subsequent questions will identify if this information is PII and ask about the specific data elements.)

The National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) is an incident-based system designed to capture data on violent deaths (suicides, homicides, deaths of undetermined intent, and unintentional firearm deaths) in a relational database. This system will be based on a centralized, web-based architecture, where a centralized database is hosted and maintained at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and accessed by funded states and their contracted partners (e.g., vital statistics, coroner/medical examiners, law enforcement) via an Internet browser. Information on deaths are collected by state-level partner agencies (typically state health departments), and information is transmitted to the CDC after being stripped of all personally identifiable information. Each state's own Violent Death Reporting System establishes the details of that state's cases from primary and secondary data sources. Primary data sources are: Death Certificates (DC), Coroner/Medical Examiner (CME) reports, Law Enforcement Reports (LE). Secondary or optional data sources are: Child Fatality Review (CFR) data, Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) data, Toxicology Reports and Hospital Discharge ICD9/10 Codes data. Patients' complete medical records are not available in this system.

Every record within NVDRS Web has an associated unique identifier. The combination of the following three field values make up a record identified to allow a match to an incident such as the Incident year, incident state, and incident number.

The combination of two or more of the following field values make a probabilistic or an exact match to an incident such as the year of incident, state of incident, incident number, incident type, case status, flag for follow-up, victim's age, Victim's sex, first initial of victim's last name, date of death, zip code of injury, zip code of residence, victim's birth day of month (1-31), last four digits of victim's coroner/medical examiner record number, last four digits of victim's death certificate record number, and abstractor-assigned manner of death. Social Security Numbers (SSN), in full or in part, are not captured. Users authenticate via Secure Access Management Services (SAMS) and Active Directory (AD) using their email addresses as their userid and a password. This information is stored permanently or until contract ends.

13 Provide an overview of the system and describe the information it will collect, maintain (store), or share, either permanently or temporarily.

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NVDRS collects facts from four major sources about the same incident, and pools information into a usable, anonymous database. An incident can include one victim or multiple victims. The four major data sources are death certificates, coroner/medical examiner reports, law enforcement reports, and crime laboratories.

The facts collected are about violent deaths which includes circumstances related to suicide such as depression and major life stresses like relationship or financial problems, relationship between the perpetrator and the victim – for example, if they know each other, other crimes, such as robbery, committed along with homicide, and multiple homicides, or homicide followed by suicide.

As data become available through the NVDRS on line database, state and local violence prevention practitioners use it to guide prevention programs, policies, and practices by identifying common circumstances associated with violent deaths of a specific type (e.g., committed during a crime such as robbery, gang violence, or intimate partner violence) or a specific area (e.g., a cluster of suicides); assisting groups in selecting and targeting violence prevention efforts; supporting evaluations of violence prevention activities; and improving the public's access to in-depth information on violent deaths.

Complete medical records are not available in this system. SAMS and AD are the authentication mechanism for access to NVDRS Web Application hosted in the CSAMS environment and both have their own PIA. Access is extended via invitation only. Non-identifiable demographic, circumstance, and narrative (case description) data related to violent deaths is collected. This information is stored permanently or until contract ends.

14 Does the system collect, maintain, use or share PII?

Yes

No

15 Indicate the type of PII that the system will collect or maintain.

<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Date of Birth
<input type="checkbox"/> Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Photographic Identifiers
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Biometric Identifiers
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Maiden Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Identifiers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E-Mail Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address
<input type="checkbox"/> Phone Numbers	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Records Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Notes	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Account Info
<input type="checkbox"/> Certificates	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Documents
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Identifiers
<input type="checkbox"/> Military Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Employment Status
<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Passport Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Taxpayer ID	

Sex  
Age  
zip code  
birth day of the month

16 Indicate the categories of individuals about whom PII is collected, maintained or shared.

<input type="checkbox"/> Employees
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Citizens
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business Partners/Contacts (Federal, state, local agencies)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vendors/Suppliers/Contractors
<input type="checkbox"/> Patients
Other <input type="text"/>

17 How many individuals' PII is in the system?

18 For what primary purpose is the PII used?

19 Describe the secondary uses for which the PII will be used (e.g. testing, training or research)

20 Describe the function of the SSN.

20a Cite the **legal authority** to use the SSN.

21 Identify **legal authorities** governing information use and disclosure specific to the system and program.

22 Are records on the system retrieved by one or more PII data elements?  Yes  No

23 Identify the sources of PII in the system.

Directly from an individual about whom the information pertains

- In-Person
- Hard Copy: Mail/Fax
- Email
- Online
- Other

Government Sources

- Within the OPDIV
- Other HHS OPDIV
- State/Local/Tribal
- Foreign
- Other Federal Entities
- Other

Non-Government Sources

- Members of the Public
- Commercial Data Broker
- Public Media/Internet
- Private Sector
- Other

23a Identify the OMB information collection approval number and expiration date.

OMB Approval Number 0920-1240 Expiration Date 08/31/2021

24 Is the PII shared with other organizations?

Yes

No

25 Describe the process in place to notify individuals that their personal information will be collected. If no prior notice is given, explain the reason.

There is no process in place because the only item being collected are email addresses.

26 Is the submission of PII by individuals voluntary or mandatory?

Voluntary

Mandatory

27 Describe the method for individuals to opt-out of the collection or use of their PII. If there is no option to object to the information collection, provide a reason.

If the external organization/individual want access to NVDRSWeb, then there is no method for individuals to opt-out of the collection of PII because the only item being collected are email addresses.

28 Describe the process to notify and obtain consent from the individuals whose PII is in the system when major changes occur to the system (e.g., disclosure and/or data uses have changed since the notice at the time of original collection). Alternatively, describe why they cannot be notified or have their consent obtained.

An application is set up to use SAMS by external partners who would like access to NVDRSWeb. An email notification is sent to external partners and then they are granted access to the application. Once external partners invitations have expired, they must reapply via the Informatics Service Desk to get assistance to access the system.

29 Describe the process in place to resolve an individual's concerns when they believe their PII has been inappropriately obtained, used, or disclosed, or that the PII is inaccurate. If no process exists, explain why not.

To resolve an individual's concerns when they believe their PII has been inappropriately obtained, used, or disclosed, or that the PII is inaccurate, individuals should contact the Management Information Systems Office (MISO), Informatics Service Desk at 1-855-644-8244.

30 Describe the process in place for periodic reviews of PII contained in the system to ensure the data's integrity, availability, accuracy and relevancy. If no processes are in place, explain why not.	System and Security Stewards review PII contained in the system annually (every 365 days), concurrent with resubmission of the system PIA and review of the BSI. Integrity and availability are checked by the system steward on an ongoing basis, in the course of initiating and terminating user accounts. Relevancy of the PII in the system (which is limited to names and email addresses of the system users) is defines user groups and access levels. NVDRS undergoes at least one enhancement effort each 365 days, during which the availability and relevancy of the entire data dictionary are assessed and updated according to program needs.											
31 Identify who will have access to the PII in the system and the reason why they require access.	<table border="1"> <tr> <td data-bbox="732 464 951 537"><input type="checkbox"/> Users</td> <td data-bbox="951 464 1406 537"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="732 537 951 663"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrators</td> <td data-bbox="951 537 1406 663">The administrator need access to identity proof on-boarding users NVDRS via SAMs.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="732 663 951 737"><input type="checkbox"/> Developers</td> <td data-bbox="951 663 1406 737"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="732 737 951 810"><input type="checkbox"/> Contractors</td> <td data-bbox="951 737 1406 810"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="732 810 951 873"><input type="checkbox"/> Others</td> <td data-bbox="951 810 1406 873"></td> </tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> Users		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrators	The administrator need access to identity proof on-boarding users NVDRS via SAMs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Developers		<input type="checkbox"/> Contractors		<input type="checkbox"/> Others		
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32 Describe the procedures in place to determine which system users (administrators, developers, contractors, etc.) may access PII.	The CDC uses the concept of role-based access control (RBAC) to give the appropriate permissions associated with each user role. RBAC uses the security principle of least privilege which											
33 Describe the methods in place to allow those with access to PII to only access the minimum amount of information necessary to perform their job.	The least privilege model will be used to allow those with access to PII to be able to access the minimum amount of PII needed to perform their job. Users must request access to specific files needed and that is the only access they are permitted. No one will be granted more access than is necessary to perform their job.											
34 Identify training and awareness provided to personnel (system owners, managers, operators, contractors and/or program managers) using the system to make them aware of their responsibilities for protecting the information being collected and maintained.	All users are required to take Privacy and IT Security Awareness training upon hire and annually thereafter. This training has been reviewed and is compatible with CDC requirements to make them aware of their responsibilities for protecting the information being collected and maintained.											
35 Describe training system users receive (above and beyond general security and privacy awareness training).	All users are required to complete annual training requirements that consist of Ethics and Compliance training, security awareness course and sign the acknowledgment of the CDC Rules of Behavior which has been reviewed and is compatible with CDC requirements.											
36 Do contracts include Federal Acquisition Regulation and other appropriate clauses ensuring adherence to privacy provisions and practices?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No											

37 Describe the process and guidelines in place with regard to the retention and destruction of PII. Cite specific records retention schedules.	Records are retained and disposed of in accordance with the CDC Records Control Schedule (N1-442-09-1) and in accordance with contractual agreement. Record copy of study reports are maintained in the agency from two to three years in accordance with retention schedules. Source documents for computer are disposed of when they are no longer needed by program officials. Personal identifiers may be deleted from records when no longer needed in the study as determined by the system manager, and as provided in the signed consent form, as appropriate. Disposal methods include erasing computer tapes, burning or shredding paper materials or transferring records to the Federal Records Center when no longer needed for evaluation and analysis. Records are retained for 20 years; for longer periods if further study is needed.	
38 Describe, briefly but with specificity, how the PII will be secured in the system using administrative, technical, and physical controls.	Administrative controls include a system security plan, contingency plan, regular back up of files and storage of backups off site, role-based security awareness training, least privilege access enforced through Active Directory groups, separate user and privileged accounts for administrators, policies and procedures in place for retention and destruction of PII, and a corporate incident response team and incident response plans.  Technical controls include identification and authentication using unique user IDs, passwords, and smart cards, use of firewalls and intrusion detection/prevention systems, virus scanning software on all computers, and a security information and event management (SIEM) solution.  Physical controls include guards, identification badges, key cards, and closed circuit TV.	
39 Identify the publicly-available URL:	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/nvdrs/">http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/nvdrs/</a>	
40 Does the website have a posted privacy notice?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
40a Is the privacy policy available in a machine-readable format?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
41 Does the website use web measurement and customization technology?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	

	Technologies	Collects PII?
41a Select the type of website measurement and customization technologies is in use and if it is used to collect PII. (Select all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Web beacons	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Web bugs	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Session Cookies	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Persistent Cookies	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	Other... <input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

42 Does the website have any information or pages directed at children under the age of thirteen?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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42a Is there a unique privacy policy for the website, and does the unique privacy policy address the process for obtaining parental consent if any information is collected?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
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43 Does the website contain links to non- federal government websites external to HHS?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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43a Is a disclaimer notice provided to users that follow external links to websites not owned or operated by HHS?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
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General Comments	Q40a: In accordance with HHS's "Rescission of Office of the Chief Information Officer/Superseded Policy for Machine Readable Privacy Policies and Related Guidance Documents" memo. MRPP cannot be validated due to obsolete technology and the suspension of work on P3P by the Platform for Privacy Preferences Project workgroup.
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OPDIV Senior Official for Privacy Signature	<input type="text"/>
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