

LIFE STRESSORS

- Relationship problems
(intimate partner, family, or other)
- Legal/criminal problems
- Physical health problems
- Job/financial problems
- School problems
- Eviction or loss of home
- Recent argument or fight
- Recent death of friend or family

SUICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES

- History of suicidal ideation or attempts
- Past/present disclosure of self-harm
- Letter, note, text, or email of intent



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SDVDRS POCKET CARD

TYPES OF VIOLENT DEATHS

(Report of deaths including)

- Suicides
- Homicides
- Undetermined Intent
- Unintentional Firearm
- Legal Intervention and Terrorism

DECEDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

(captured on death certificate)

- Age, sex, race
- Military/veteran status
- Pregnancy status
- Sexual Orientation
- Marital or relationship status

INJURY/DEATH INFORMATION

- Injury/death date and time
- Location of injury
- Alcohol use suspected
- EMS on scene
- Victim seen in ER
- Location and # of wounds

MENTAL HEALTH

- Current depressed mood
- Mental health diagnosis
(Specific current/previous treatment of mental illness)
- Alcohol or other substance use/problem

HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES

- Random violence
- Self-defense
- Drug involvement
- Gang involvement
- Hate crime or mercy killing
- A brawl *(3+ people in a physical fight)*
- Suspect information *(relationship to victim, sex, race, age, etc.)*
- Weapon information
- Witnesses

NOTE: SD-VDRS Pocket Card is a resource to assist with violent death investigations and is not meant to be a checklist. The information included in your report will assist with identifying prevention strategies.

FIREARM INFORMATION

- Type *(pistol, rifle, shotgun, etc.)*
- Make/model
- Caliber/gauge
- Firearm owner
- Was the firearm stolen
- Was the firearm stored loaded *(locked)*

POISON/OVERDOS INFORMATION

- Type of poison/drug *(illicit, alcohol, prescription, etc.)*
 - ▣ If a prescription drug
 - Name of drug
 - Prescribed to?
 - # prescribed/# remaining
- Naloxone administered
(By whom) (How many doses)