

**2003 Summary of Changes
Medical Data File**

1. New items to be captured beginning with 2003 data

Item	Code Structure
Was Autopsy Performed	Yes Y
	No N
	Unknown U
	Blank Blank
Were Autopsy findings available	Yes Y
	No N
	Unknown U
	Blank Blank
	Not Applicable (Computer generated) X
Tobacco Use	Yes Y
	No N
	Probably P
	Unknown U
	Not on certificate C
	Blank Blank
Pregnancy	Not pregnant within past year 1
	Pregnant at the time of death 2
	Not pregnant, but pregnant within 42 days of death 3
	Not pregnant, but pregnant 43 days to 1 year before death 4
	Unknown if pregnant within last year 9
	Not on certificate 7
	Not Applicable (Computer generated) 8
	blank Blank

Item	Code Structure
Time of Injury	0000-2400,9999, blank
Time of Injury - Units	AM A PM P Military Time (24 hour clock) M Blank Blank
Transportation injury, specify	Driver/Operator DR Passenger PA Pedestrian PE Otherwise, Enter Full Text Blank Blank
Certifier	Certifying Physician D Pronouncing and Certifying Physician P Medical Examiner/Coroner M Enter Full Text for Other Individual Legally Allowed to Certify

2. Changes in Code Structure beginning with 2003 data

Item	Current Code Structure	2003 Code Structure
State of Death	Post Office Abbreviation converted to numeric codes	Alpha - Post Office Abbreviation

Manner of Death	Accident 1	Natural N
	Suicide 2	Accident A
	Homicide 3	Suicide S
	Pending	Homicide H
	Investigation 4	Pending
	Could Not	Investigation P
	Determine 5	Could not be
	Self-Inflicted . . . 6	determined C
	Natural 7	Blank Blank
	Not Specified blank	