CDC Expands Data Collection on Violent Deaths

Announcing Newly-Funded Awardees for the National Violent Death Reporting System

On September 5, 2014, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced new awardees for the National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS). The $7.5 million in funding will expand NVDRS from 18 to 32 participating states, enabling greater collection of critical data on violent deaths.

Health departments in the following 32 states will collect state-level data on violent deaths over the next five years:

- Alaska
- Arizona
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Iowa
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Massachusetts
- Maryland
- Maine
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- North Carolina
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- Utah
- Virginia
- Vermont
- Washington
- Wisconsin


As CDC expands NVDRS across states and territories, the standardized data collection will enhance CDC’s ability to monitor and track trends nationally, as well as inform national prevention efforts. Participating states will be better able to use state-level data to develop prevention and intervention efforts to stop violent deaths and help people live life to their full potential.

About NVDRS

NVDRS collects information on who dies violently, where victims are killed, when they are killed, and what factors were perceived to contribute or precipitate the death. NVDRS is the first system to provide detailed information on circumstances precipitating all types of violent deaths including brief narratives, to combine information across multiple data sources, and to link multiple deaths that are related to one another (e.g., multiple homicides, suicide pacts, and cases of homicide followed by the suicide of the suspect).

Learn More

- National Violent Death Reporting System
- NVDRS Factsheet
- NVDRS Overview