

Nauru – Senior Official / CRVS

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CRVS in Nauru - Since Nauru is an isolated island country on its own and therefore all individuals report births and deaths registration through the Government hospital and Government registration system.

Nauru has a national Health Information Committee, which also functions as the national CRVS committee. There is close cooperation between key departments (The Bureau of Statistics, Department of Health, and Registration Office) on data sharing and reconciliation through the ICT networking system.

Nauru has effectively complete registration of births and deaths through incentive benefits from the Government to provide financial support to the family's next-of-kin to conduct a decent funeral service during each death case. The similar case for births that the purpose of the infant payment to provide financial support to the mother or guardian of the infant for basic needs and care.

Implementation Steps - Nauru has undergone and continues to carrying-out the CRVS implementation steps through existing national CRVS system or collaboration with development partner agencies providing technical support and consultation activities which consists:

- The completion the Rapid Assessment and Comprehensive Assessment in 2011,
- follow-up work involving to reconcile data, improving the system, training staff and addressing issues in 2012,
- the key representatives reported on progress and update plans in 2013,
- Drafting of the CRVS 2008-2013 report on May 2014 and due to be released in late 2014.

National Targets - The Nauru CRVS system is really important that it is also aligned to feed the national interest for the targets and priorities namely the National Sustainable Development Strategies 2009-2025, the regional and international level, such as the National Minimum Development Indicators (NMDIs) and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

CRVS Threats and overcoming – Recently in 2013, Nauru's only main RON Hospital suffered a tragic incident that burnt through both the medical records office and the adjacent pharmacy.

Most of the records were lost and the Health Information System really faced a serious threat. For births backup purposes, the Maternity Section in the Government Hospital also manage to save data in the log book hard copy.

Other electronic backups, Nauru operates a networked registration system, where birth and death records are entered directly through the registration system namely PROMADIS BDM for later verification by registration staff.

Nauru have been able to resume with an analysis of birth, death, and cause of death data (ICD-10) despite the hospital record losses.

Furthermore, planning and reviewing the current CRVS system that can be more fully implemented to support quality data and social security in accordance to disseminate CRVS results on an accurate, completeness and timely manner for national interest aligning with the regional and international agenda.

Thank you