**Key events related to Vital Statistics of Korea**

- 1937: Established Rules of Vital Event Survey
  - Legal Basis of data collection for statistical purpose
- 1970: Integration of Family Registration Items and Vital Events Items
- 1997.8.: Electronic Local Office Entering System for vital events was established
- 2004.1.: Web-based Vital Statistics Entering System connected with Family Registration System

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**Vital Events Registration Form**
Process of Family Registration System & Vital Statistics System

Parents
Individual

Relatives
Individual

Cities/Counties/Districts

Family Registration System
(Family Registration Items)

Vital Registration System
(Vital Events Items)

Supreme Court of Korea
Statistics Korea

Birth
Death
Marriage
Divorce

Birth, Death : within one month
Marriage : no Time limit
Divorce : three months, one month
Birth, Death (Preliminary)
Marriage, Divorce
Birth
Death, Cause of Death
Life Tables

February
April
August
September
December
### Cause of Death Statistics

- Statistics Korea
- National Cancer Center
- Public Health Center
- National Police Agency
- Ministry of National Defense
- ...  

21 Administrative Data from 13 Agencies

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### Implementation steps

- **National Coordination Mechanism** *(Has a national coordination mechanism been established? Who participate?)*
  - **Legal Basis related CRVS**
    - Statistics Act, the Enforcement Decree of the Statistics Act
      - It aims at providing basic data required for establishment of policies on national population, housing, public health, education, etc. by identifying the factors to change the size and structure of population, i.e. birth, death, marriage, divorce
    - Act on the Registration, Etc of Family Relationship (Supreme Court of Korea)
      - Article 1 (Purpose): The purpose of this Act is to prescribe matters concerning the registration of establishment and change of family relations such as birth, marriage, death, etc. of people and matters concerning certification thereof.
    - Privacy Protection Act, Etc.

- **Sharing information between stakeholders**
  - One of the main policies of the present Korean government is the sharing information between public agencies.
Implementation steps

- National targets of the RAF (Status of defining national targets under the RAF)
  - Increase the accuracy of vital statistics
    - Use diverse administrative data so that minimize the missing data
    - Accurate death certificate: need doctor’s help
  - Actively participate to the decision making of the population related matters such as birth, death, etc.
    - provide policy makers to detailed and appropriate data
    - Statistics Korea produce vital statistics and provide to Ministry of Health and Welfare, Ministry of Strategy and Finance and some other public agencies
  - Expand Service Program: User-friendly service
    - Not only paper but also on-line based service
    - Expand microdata service: on-site, remote-access, web based service

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Activities

- Ongoing/planned activities (Outline planned and ongoing activities related to one of the action areas of the Regional Action Framework)
  - ACTION AREA: Production, dissemination and use of vital statistics
    - Production
      - Powerful legislation
      - Cooperation and sharing information between public agencies
    - Dissemination
      - Provide useful and critical information to the stakeholders
      - User friendly service: on-line, microdata service
    - Use of vital statistics
      - Decision making based on timely, accurate and relevant vital statistics

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