CRVS in Georgia

experiences and approaches

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Institutional Arrangement

Public Service Development Agency
- Registration of all civil acts including vital events

National Centre for Diseases Control and Public Health
- Quality check of causes of death

National Statistics Office of Georgia
- Collection of Admin. Data, processing and dissemination of vital statistics
Legal Basis

Regulations for registration of civil status acts:

- Law of Georgia on “Civil Status Acts”;
- Order of Minister of Justice “On Approval of the Procedures for Civil Registration”, N18 January 31, 2012;
- Joint order of the Minister of IDPs from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs and the Minister of Justice, №01-37/ n- №173 August 24, 2016 on approval of “Birth and death medical certificate details, forms, their completion and sending rules”;
- Joint order of the Minister on Approval of the Procedure for Forms of Birth and Death Medical Certificates, their Completion and Submission, Procedure for Issuance of Birth and Death Information from the Electronic Database of the PSDA, August 24, 2016, №01- 37/n - №173 on amending the Joint Order May 23, 2019 - May 20, Order №01-43/N-№411”.

Producing of Vital Statistics:

- Law of Georgia on “Official Statistics”;
- Annual Statistical Work Programme.
Current registration system of birth and death events:

- Starting from 2011, medical certificates are filled electronically and automatically sent to the PSDA.
- The notification must be received within 5 working days after birth or death.
- Late or non receiving of the notification in PSDA envisages penalty of 500 GEL.
- Registration of births or deaths is free of charge.

* the consulate performs a registration directly in the databases of PSDA.
Data sources

- **Births and Deaths, since 2017**
  - Public Service Development Agency (PSDA), Ministry of Justice of Georgia;
  - National Center for Disease Control and Public Health (NCDC)

- **Marriages and Divorces**
  - Public Service Development Agency (PSDA), Ministry of Justice of Georgia
VITAL STATISTICS

NCDC

DB-s linked by the Medical certificate number

PSDA

Both sources + In NCDC not in PSDA + In PSDA not in NCDC = Final data
Quality issues of VS

**Challenge:**

- Improve the quality of the causes of death indicators;

Unknown causes of deaths (chapter XVIII) equaled 13.2 percent in 2019, a 7.2 point decrease from 2009.

- Quality improvement of Causes of death included to the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics in Georgia (2020-2023)
Performed activities in the field of VSR

- Collaboration with PSDA and NCDC;
- Cooperation with the ESCAP:
  - Starting from 2016 representatives of Geostat are actively involved in the workshops;
- VSR included to the Annual Statistical Work Programme of Geostat.
‘Get Every One in the Picture’ in Georgia

**Goal 1:** Universal **civil registration** of vital events – ✔

**Goal 2:** All individuals are provided with **legal documentation** of civil registration of vital events - ✔

**Goal 3:** Accurate, complete and timely **vital statistics** (including on causes of death) are produced based on registration records and are disseminated - ✔
Thank you for your attention!

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