

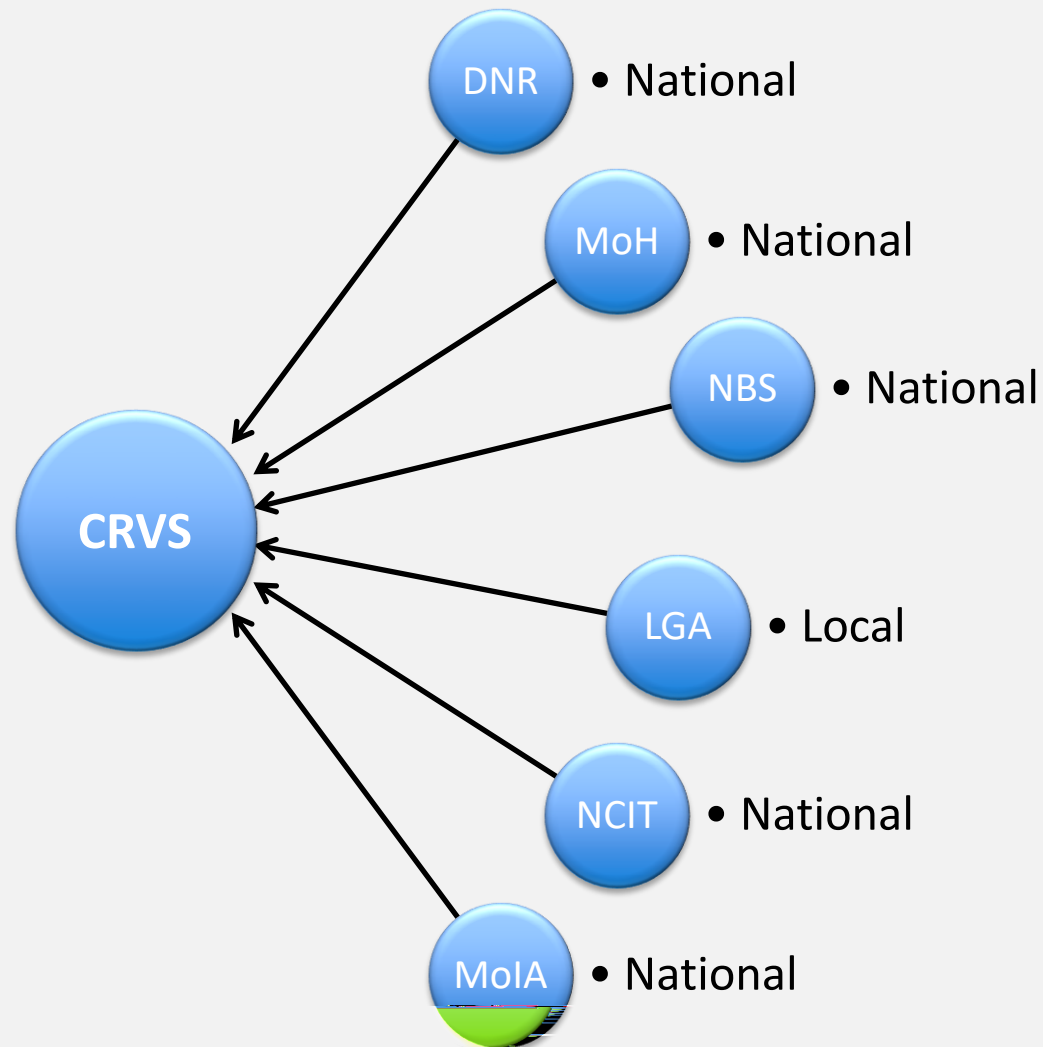


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National CRVS Coordination Mechanisms
MALDIVES

CVRS SYSTEM – MAIN AGENCIES



Agencies, Their Main Roles & Responsibilities

- ◆ MoH:
 - ◆ Managing the births and death dataset and quality assurance of the data
 - ◆ Analysis and dissemination of vital statistics

- ◆ Government Hospitals/ Health Centres:
 - ◆ Registration of birth/death.
 - ◆ Fill the forms and send to DNR

- ◆ Private Hospitals:
 - ◆ Complete Birth and Death form in triplicate copies (Parent, DNR, Local Council)



Agencies, Their Main Roles & Responsibilities

◆ Island Council

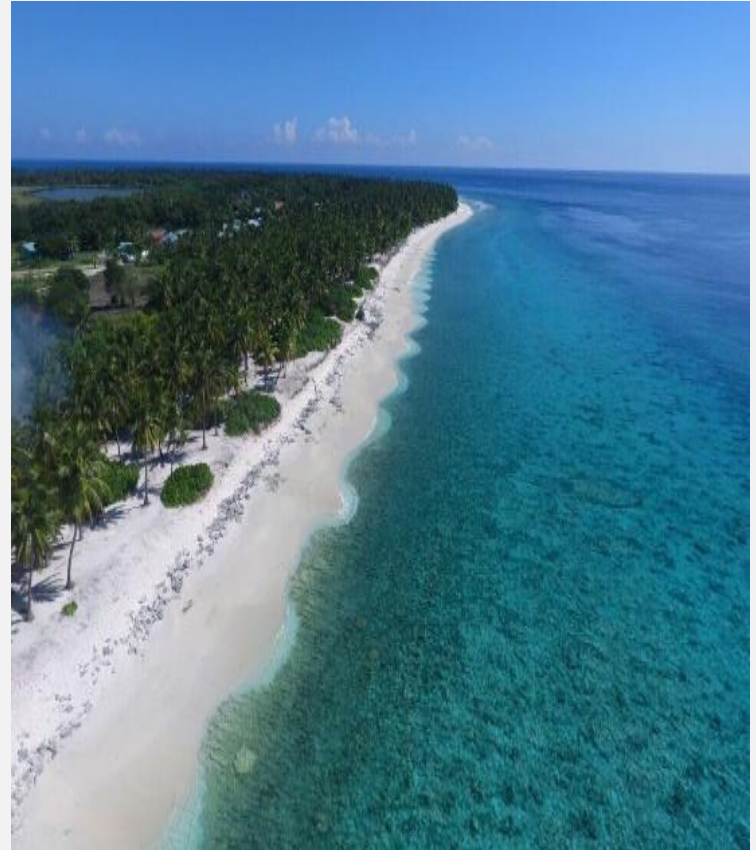
- ◆ Check whether all the pink and yellow copies of all the birth/death forms has been received
- ◆ File the pink copy.
- ◆ Forwarding the yellow copies to Atoll council to send to DNR.
- ◆ Issue birth certificate in the locality.
- ◆

◆ Atoll Councils

- ◆ Collect all the yellow copies from all the islands in the Atoll and forward it to DNR.

◆ Male' City Council

- ◆ Registration of births and issuance of birth certificates in Male'.
- ◆ Male' City Council has access to DNR system to get into the VRS online
- ◆ Generate National ID number.



Agencies, Their Main Roles & Responsibilities

- ◆ Maldives Police Service (MPS):
 - ◆ Stamp white death certificate before the burial.

- ◆ Cemeteries
 - ◆ Ensure certified white copy is received before burial

- ◆ DNR:
 - ◆ Managing the births and death form entry
 - ◆ Data Quality (logistical & administrative side)



CRVS Coordination Mechanism

◆ **Is there** a high-level CRVS coordination mechanism and at **what level**?

◆ High-Level CRVS Coordination mechanism at National Level with policy and technical representation

◆ **Objectives**

◆ Strengthen the CRVS system in the country

◆ Improve interagency coordination

◆ Address the challenges and new requirements in the system

◆ Act as advisory board for changes to legal framework concerning CRVS

◆ Oversee capacity building

National Level Coordination Mechanism Stakeholders

- ◆ National Bureau of Statistics
- ◆ Department of National Registration
- ◆ Ministry of Health
- ◆ National Center for Information Technology
- ◆ Male City Council
- ◆ Local Government Authority
- ◆ IGMH

Other Agencies Involved

- ◆ WHO
- ◆ UNICEF
- ◆ UNFPA
- ◆ UNESCAP
- ◆ Local Councils
- ◆ Health Facilities (Public and Private)



CRVS Coordination Mechanism

◆ Formal mechanisms

- ◆ Legislature: VRS Regulation, Local Government Act, Mandates of Agencies
- ◆ Interagency MOU. Eg: MoH and DNR

◆ Communication across and within

- ◆ Formal communication, mostly through electronic means
- ◆ Information System

Terms of Refence

◆ Partial:

- ◆ MOU between MoH and DNR
- ◆ Administrative understanding between MoH and LGA
- ◆ Mandate of individual institutions, departments and divisions

Coordination Monitoring Mechanism

- ◆ CRVS Coordination committee monitors on a high level
- ◆ MoH – Health facilities for birth and Death (also Police for death)
- ◆ DJA – Marriage registrations at courts
- ◆ Periodic Reports
- ◆ Quarterly Meetings



Effectiveness of the Coordination Mechanisms: Important Gains

- Coordinating mechanism established
- Completeness of birth, marriage and death registration
- Legislative changes brought
- Able to address maternal deaths efficiently (Next working day)
- Improved infant and maternal mortality rates
- Introduced modern system for information management
- Published first VRS Report

Challenges

- ◆ Formalization of the National coordination mechanism (Authority)
- ◆ Enhancing the information management systems for greater coverage, accuracy, and timeliness
- ◆ Strengthen both inter and intra agency coordination
- ◆ Registration of Overseas Birth, Death, and Marriages events
- ◆ Timeliness in disseminating VRS statistics
- ◆ Harmonizing legal framework
- ◆ Sustainable Human Capital Development Program
- ◆ Improving COD identification and coding
- ◆ Strengthening of National Statistical System