

Medical Examiners

A Medical Examiner is an independent senior doctor. Their role is to review the medical records of your loved one and occasionally have a discussion with the GP to agree the cause of death for the Medical Certificate (MCCD).

Once the Medical Examiner Service has received the referral from the GP, you will be contacted by the Medical Examiner Officer (MEO). They will offer their condolences and give you the opportunity to ask any questions, raise any concerns you may have about the care your loved one received and/or highlight excellence.

During the conversation, they will share with you the proposed cause of death that the GP and Medical Examiner have agreed or, if a Coroner's referral is required, they will advise you what will happen next.

If they are able to issue the Medical Certificate they will advise you:

- When the certificate has been completed
- How Registration Services will contact you to book your appointment to collect the death certificate/s

Useful contact details:

Medical Examiner Office

Tel: 01865 221 939

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 9am-5pm
(excluding weekends and bank holidays)

OUH Switchboard

Tel: 0300 304 7777

Oxford Coroner's Office

Tel: 01865 815 020

Oxford Registration Services


Tel: 01865 519 800

OUH PALS

Tel: 01865 221 473

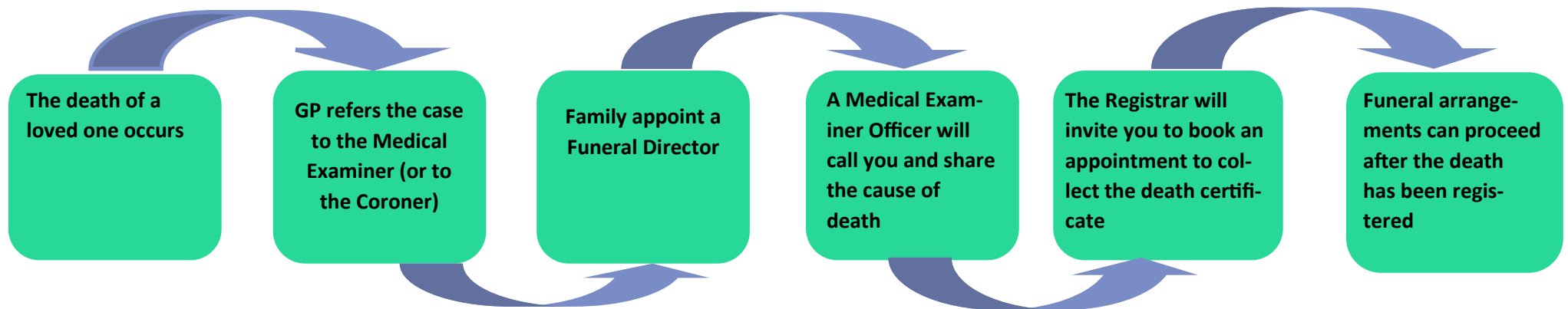


OXFORDSHIRE
Medical Examiner Office



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Your journey through the process



Medical Examiner Process



The death of a loved one occurs and is verified by a health care professional

GP refers the case to the Medical Examiner Office

Medical Examiner reviews the medical notes and agrees the cause of death

Medical Examiner Officer (MEO) contacts you and shares the cause of death

Medical Examiner countersigns the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death (MCCD)

The MCCD is sent to Registration Services

Registration Services will invite you to book an appointment to register the death

Feedback will be provided to medical teams where required