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TO: All Medical Certifiers:

Currently, Arkansas Code Ann. § 20-18-601 requires all medical certifiers to submit death records to the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) using the electronic registration system, ERAVE, unless you have requested and have been granted a waiver as described in Arkansas Code Ann. § 20-18-601 (i) (1). During the 2021 legislative session, Act 674 was passed, amending the eligibility requirements for being granted such a waiver.

Pursuant to Act 674 of 2021, waivers will only be granted for the following reasons: 1) the medical certifier regularly signs fewer than ten (10) medical certifications per year; or 2) the medical certifier shows other good cause for a waiver as determined by the ADH in its discretion. These new eligibility requirements go into effect on July 28, 2021 and all existing waivers will expire.

If you would like to request a new waiver based on the new eligibility requirements, please complete the attached form, making sure that you sign the form and fax to 501-683-6646 or mail to: ATTN: ERAVE, Arkansas Department of Health, 4815 West Markham, Slot 19, Little Rock, AR 72205.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Shirley Louie, State Registrar at 501-661-2833 or shirley.louie@arkansas.gov. Thank you.