Appendix 1: Variables Collected in NVDRS Web System: 1/24/2013

**Incident Information**
- Incident Year
- Version of software
- Incident type
- Number of source documents in incident
- Number of victims in incident
- Date supervisor checked incident
- Date supervisor rechecked incident
- Supervisor note field
- Number of non-fatally shot persons in incident
- Abstractor name(s)
- Narrative of the incident using CME information
- Narrative of the incident using LE information

**Case Status**
- Death certificate data abstraction complete
- Coroner/Medical examiner report data abstraction complete
- Toxicology data abstraction complete
- Law enforcement data abstraction complete

**Document tracking variables**
- Document type
- Source agency requested from
- Date record requested/expected/sought
- Date record re-requested/re-searched
- Date record received
- Date record abstracted/imported
- Date entered data checked
- Document determined to be unavailable
- Document notes field

**Person Information (Collected for Victim(s) and Suspect(s))**
- Abstractor Assigned Manner of death
- Person type
- Age
- Age unit
- Sex
- White
- Black
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Other Race
- Unspecified Race
- Hispanic/Latino/ Spanish

**Victim Information**
- Country of residence
- State of residence
- County of residence
- City of residence
- Zip code of residence
- US Census block group of residence
- US Census tract of residence
- Birth place
- Country of birth if not listed
- Place of death
- Place of death if other
- Date pronounced dead
- Date of death
- Manner of death
- Date of injury
- Time of injury
- Type of location where injured
- Injured at work
- At person’s home
- Victim in custody when injured
- State of injury FIPS code
- County of injury
- City of injury FIPS code
- ZIP code of injury
- US Census block group of injury
- US Census tract of injury
- Survival time no. of units
- Unit of time used in survival time
- Manner of death
- Immediate cause of death text
- Cause leading to immediate cause text
- Next antecedent cause of death text
- Underlying cause of death text
- Underlying cause of death ICD-10 code
- ICD10 4th (character)
- ICD10 5th (character)
- Autopsy performed
- Ever served in US armed forces (veteran)
- Marital status
- Person was pregnant
- Education by degree level
- Number years of education
- Current occupation
- Usual occupation code
- Usual occupation text
- Kind of business/industry code
Victim Information (Continued)
Usual industry text
Multiple conditions on death certificate 1-10
Height
Weight
Transgender
Sexual orientation
Recent release from an institution
EMS at scene
Homeless status

Poisons/Toxicology
Date specimens were collected
Time specimens were collected
Name of substance(s) on toxicology report
   Tested for specific substance
   Result for specific substance
   Poison/substance was cause of death
   Type of poison (Automatically generated)
   Code for poison (Automatically generated)
Alcohol use suspected
Testing for alcohol
Alcohol test results
Blood alcohol concentration results
Testing for anticonvulsants
Results anticonvulsants
Testing for antipsychotic
Results for antipsychotic
Testing for amphetamines
Amphetamine test results
Testing for antidepressants
Antidepressant test results
Testing for cocaine
Cocaine test results
Testing for marijuana
Marijuana test results
Testing for opiate(s)
Opiate test results
Testing for carbon monoxide
Carbon monoxide results
Carbon monoxide source, if CO

Wound Location (Continued)
Wound to the abdomen
Wound to the lower extremity

Suspect Variables
Primary suspect for this victim
Second suspect for this victim
Third suspect for this victim
Victim’s relationship to suspect 1
Victim’s relationship to suspect 2
Suspect was also a victim
Suspect attempted suicide after incident
Suspect was caregiver
History of abuse of victim
Suspect was mentally ill

Suicide, Homicide and Undetermined Circumstance Variables (* Indicates Crisis Information Collected with Checkbox in NVDRS web)
   Circumstances known
   Current depressed mood
   Current diagnosed mental health problem*
   Type of first mental illness diagnosed
   Type of second mental illness diagnosed
   Other mental health diagnosis
   Current treatment for mental illness/substance abuse
   Ever treated for mental illness
   Alcohol problem*
   Other substance problem*
   Other addiction*
   Disclosed intent to commit suicide
   Disclosed suicidal intent to whom
   Person left a suicide note
   History of suicide attempts
   History of expressed suicidal intent/thoughts
   Suicide of friend or family*
   Other death of friend or family
   Crisis in past two weeks
   Physical health problem*
   Intimate partner problem*
   Family relationship problem*
   Other relationship problem*
   Recent criminal legal problem*
   Other (civil) legal problems*
   Perpetrator of violence in the past month
   Victim of violence in the past month
   Disaster exposure
   Anniversary of a traumatic event
   History of abuse as a child
Suicide, Homicide and Undetermined Circumstance Variables (Continued)

School problem*
Job problem*
Financial problem*
Eviction/loss of home*
Precipitated by another crime
Nature of first other crime
Nature of second other crime
First other crime in progress
Jealousy (lovers’ triangle)*
Intimate partner violence related
Stalking
Prostitution or sex trafficking
Drug involvement
Gang related
Drive-by shooting
Walk-by shooting
Hate crime
Physical fight (mutual between 2 people)
Brawl (mutual physical fight, 3+ people)
Argument
  If yes, timing of argument
Random violence
Terrorist attack
Victim was a bystander
Victim was a police officer on duty
Justifiable self defense/law enforcement
Victim used weapon
Victim was intervener assisting crime victim
Abuse and neglect led to death
Mercy killing
Other circumstance

Unintentional Firearm Death Circumstance Variables

Hunting
Target shooting
Self-defensive shooting
Celebratory firing
Loading/unloading gun
Cleaning gun
Showing gun to others
Playing with gun
Other context of injury
Thought safety was engaged
Thought unloaded magazine disengaged
Thought gun was unloaded, other
Unintentionally pulled trigger
Bullet ricochet
Gun defect or malfunction
Fired while holstering/un-holstering
Dropped gun
Fired while operating safety/lock
Gun mistaken for toy
Other mechanism of injury

Hospital Information

Victim seen in ED
Victim admitted to inpatient care
First external cause of injury code from hospital
Second external cause of injury code from hospital

Weapon Variables

Primary weapon that killed victim
Second weapon causing injury
Third weapon causing injury
Total number of NVDRS weapons for this victim
Weapon type
Additional weapon information

Firearms

Firearm type
Make or NCIC code
Other firearm make text
Firearm model
Firearm model text
Firearm caliber
Firearm gauge
Firearm stolen
Gun owner
Gun stored loaded
Gun stored locked
Gun access narrative
Optional Module: Child Fatality Review

**Victim Variables**
- CFR records available on victim

**Victim Health Information**
- Victim had a physical illness at time of injury
  - If yes, specify diagnosis
- Victim had disability at time of injury
  - If yes, disability was physical
  - If yes, disability was developmental
  - If yes, disability was sensory

**Prenatal history**
- Infants: Prenatal care prior to 3rd trimester
- Infants: maternal recreational drug use
- Infants: maternal alcohol use
- Infants: maternal tobacco use
- Infants: victim born prematurely

**CPS Contacts**
- Prior CPS report on the victim’s household
  - If yes, CPS report filed on whom
  - If yes, report substantiated
- Physical abuse substantiated
- Sexual abuse substantiated
- Neglect substantiated
- CPS case opened on other kids due to this death

**Other Prior System Contacts by Victim**
- Victim contact with police
- Victim contact with juvenile justice system
- Victim contact with the health care system
- Victim contact with mental health services
- Households contact with police
- Victim/primary caregiver contact with social services
- Victim/primary caregiver contact with WIC
- Victim/primary caregiver contact with Medicaid
- Primary caregiver on welfare/financial assistance

**Suspect Information**
- Specific person suspected
- Suspect arrested as perpetrator in this death
- Suspect charged as perpetrator in this death
- Suspect prosecuted
- Suspect convicted
- Convicted of original charge

**Suspect Information (Continued)**
- CPS report or referral ever filed on the suspect
- Suspect ever charged with a prior homicide

**Household Information**
- Type of residence in which victim lived
- Length of time in residence
- Unrelated adult living in household
- Other children <18 years of age in household
- Marital relationship of victim’s biological parents

**Domestic Violence and Substance abuse**
- Intimate partner violence in victims household
- Intimate partner violence in victim’s foster home
- Substance abuse in victims household
- Substance abuse in victim’s foster home

**Supervision at the Time of Incident**
- Perpetrator was supervisor
- Quality of supervision a factor
- Supervisor’s relationship to victim
- Supervisor’s age
- Supervisor’s sex
- No supervision
- Supervisor drug/alcohol impaired
- Supervisor distracted or asleep
- Other supervisory factor

**Primary Caregivers (Information collected on up to two parents or caregivers)**
- Primary caregiver a victim or suspect in the incident
  - If yes, caregivers ID in the incident
  - Relationship to victim
  - Person lived with victim
  - Primary caregiver age at time of incident
  - Primary caregiver sex
  - Had legal custody of victim at time of death
  - Had documented history of maltreating
  - Had a previous child die in his/her care

**Incident Variables**
- Witness(es) to fatal incident
- Child witness(es) to fatal incident
- CFR additional information
- Scene investigated by LE
- Scene investigated by CME
Optional Module: Child Fatality Review (Continued)

Data Sources Used by CFR
- C/ME records
- SS/CPS records
- Police/Law Enforcement records
- School records
- EMS records
- Health Provider/Hospital records
- Public Health Department records
- Mental Health Records
- Juvenile Justice Records
- Death certificate
- Other records
- Specify (what other records)

CFR Committee Decisions
- CFR conclusion matches death certificate
- If no, manner the CFR designated
- Text to specify other manner
- Action taken to change the official manner
- Result of action
- CFR determination of preventability

CFR Mental Health
- History of inpatient psychiatric treatment
- Taking psychiatric med. at time of death
- Barriers to accessing mental health care
Optional Module: Intimate Partner Violence

Incident Variables
- IPV Incident Type
- IPV Victim
- IPV Perpetrator

Data Sources
- Death Certificate
- Coroner/Medical Examiner Report
- Police Report
- SHR or NIBRS Data
- Crime Lab Report
- Gun Trace Report
- Hospital/ED Report
- Court or Prosecutor Records
- Restraining Order Records
- Criminal History Database
- DVTRT Report
- Newspaper Reports
- Other data sources

Circumstances
- Evidence of premeditation
- Homicide during argument
- During child drop-off/pick-up

Suspect Information
- Warrant issued for suspect
- Suspect arrested in this incident
- Suspect arrested but fled
- Suspect charged as perpetrator
- Suspect convicted
- Suspect convicted of original charge
- Suspect died following incident

Living Arrangement (Continued)
- Number of children <5 exposed to homicide
- Use of child as shield during event
- Child intervened during incident

Restraining Order
- Restraining order ever
- Restraining order at time of incident
- Restraining order type
- Restraining order issue date
- Restraining order served
- Persons protected by restraining order

Legal Intervention (Victim/Suspect)
- Prior arrest(s)
- Type of arrest(s)
- Type if other
- Prior conviction(s)
- Type of conviction(s)
- Type if other
- Prior IPV arrest(s)

Health Information (Victim/Suspect)
- Physical illness
- Diagnosis of physical illness
- Disability
- Disability was physical
- Disability was developmental
- Disability was sensory
- Alcohol use suspected
- Drug use suspected

Mental Health (Victim/Suspect)
- Mental health problem
- Mental health diagnosis 1
- Mental health diagnosis 2
- Mental health diagnosis 3
- Other mental health diagnosis
- Currently in treatment for mental health problem
- Ever treated for mental health problem
- Alcohol problem
- Other substance abuse problem
- Disclosed intent to commit suicide
- History of suicide attempts

Living Arrangement (Continued)
- Cohabitation status
- Relationship length number of units
- Unit of time used in relationship length
- Breakup or breakup in progress
- Breakup length number of units
- Unit of time used in breakup length
- Children under 18 living at home
- Number of children <18 living at home
- Any children not offspring of IPV Perpetrator
- Any children not offspring of IPV Victim
- Number of children exposed to homicide