



## Data Collection Worksheet

**Please Note:** The Data Collection Worksheet (DCW) is a tool to aid integration of a PhenX protocol into a study. The PhenX DCW is not designed to be a data collection instrument. Investigators will need to decide the best way to collect data for the PhenX protocol in their study. Variables captured in the DCW, along with variable names and unique PhenX variable identifiers, are included in the PhenX Data Dictionary (DD) files.

To be completed by physician who signed the death certificate and/or the patients physician.

1. Are you familiar with the events surrounding the decedents death?

Yes

No

2. Did you witness the death?

Yes

No

If you answered **No** to both 1 and 2, skip to end. Otherwise, continue with item 3.

3a. Was there any pain in the chest, left arm or shoulder or jaw within 72 hours of death?

Yes

No

Uncertain

If **No** or **Uncertain**, skip to item 4.

3b. Did the pain include the chest?

Yes

No

Uncertain

3c. Did you think this pain was of a cardiac origin?

Yes

No

Uncertain

If **No**, specify what you think was the cause:

4. Was cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and/or cardioversion performed within 24 hours of death?

Yes

No

Uncertain

5. Please give time between onset of acute symptoms to death. (We are defining death as the point where spontaneous breathing ceased and the patient never recovered.)

More than three days

Two - three days

One day

At least 12 hours, but less than 24 hours

At least 4 hours, but less than 12 hours

At least 1 hour, but less than 4 hours

Less than 1 hour

Death instantaneous, no symptoms

Unknown

6. Would you classify the decedents cause of death as due to Coronary Heart Disease (CHD)?

Yes

No

Uncertain

To be abstracted from patients hospital medical records.

7. Location of death:

- Out-of-Hospital
- Emergency Room (not dead on arrival—DOA)
- In Hospital
- Nursing Home, Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), or Extended Care Facility (ECF)
- Other, specify:

8. Was the death witnessed?

- Yes
- No
- Unknown

9. Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis (MESA) classification of underlying cause of death (choose one):

- Atherosclerotic coronary heart disease (complete questions 10, 11 and 12 only)
- Stroke (skip to end)
- Atherosclerotic disease other than coronary disease or stroke (specify):  
\_\_\_\_\_ (complete question 12 only)
- Other cardiovascular disease, not defined above  
(specify): \_\_\_\_\_ (complete question 12 only)
- Non-cardiovascular disease (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ (skip to end)
- Unknown because death certificate unavailable (skip to end)

10. Type of fatal coronary heart disease:

- Definite fatal myocardial infarction (MI) (no known non-atherosclerotic cause and definite myocardial infarction within 4 weeks of death)
- Definite fatal coronary heart disease (CHD) (no known non-atherosclerotic cause, and one or both of the following: chest pain within 72 hours of death or a history of chronic ischemic heart disease)
- Possible fatal coronary heart disease (CHD) (no known non-atherosclerotic cause, and death certificate underlying cause: I20-25, I46, I51.6, R96 or R98-99)

11. Estimated time between onset of acute cardiac symptoms and death:

- Less than five minutes

five minutes to one hour

one hour to 24 hours

More than 24 hours

Unknown

12. Mechanism of death in patients dying of cardiovascular causes (check all that apply):

Primary arrhythmic death

Secondary arrhythmic/mechanical death

Congestive heart failure (CHF)

Cardiac procedure such as coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) or angioplasty

Hemorrhage from thrombolytic therapy

Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Unknown or Uncertain

Protocol source: <https://www.phenxtoolkit.org/protocols/view/40701>