# UPCOMING CHANGES TO THE RELEASE PORTAL

## Introduction

The OCME Release Portal is receiving an update as early as January 2025. Part of the update are the following changes that the MA OCME team is excited to share!

## Key Feature Change #1

Funeral homes will no longer need to download the Funeral Home Acknowledgement form since the acknowledgements will be built into the application.



## Key Feature Change #2

Funeral homes will no longer be required to add the information for children & parents. They will only be required to add the legal next-of-kin information.



## Key Feature Change #3

The OCME will now provide the examination type and decedent weight within the decedent association application.



## Key Feature Change #4

The funeral homes are no longer required to input the decedent's location/date/time of death or the OCME office location.