Your Data Can Make a Difference in National Drug Control Efforts

As a medical examiner or coroner (MEC) office, you provide valuable information about the impacts that drugs and substance use have on public health.

By participating in NFLIS-MEC, your office will be contributing to an important national data collection that supports DEA drug scheduling and informs drug policy.

DEA may provide assistance for MEC participation.

The NFLIS-MEC program strives to minimize burden to participating MEC offices. The program works closely with information management systems and in-house data systems to assist with data extraction routines for core data items. On a case-by-case basis, computer hardware and software assistance may be provided for reporting needs.

As a NFLIS-MEC participant, you can influence a greater national understanding of the following:

- Drug mortality
- Drug frequency trends
- Novel psychoactive substances
- Levels of drugs involved in cause of death
- Toxicology testing practices of MEC offices

Receive assistance from DEA to easily extract approximately 15 NFLIS-MEC data items:

Information Management System Support

Computer hardware and software

Data entry support

Enable DEA to compile national drug trend data on the following:

Case ID/unique identifier
Cause of death
Manner of death
Age
Sex
Date of death
Drug(s) and metabolite(s) confirmed

Contribute to national statistics and gain access to aggregated data.

Have any ideas to share with DEA regarding the NFLIS-MEC surveillance system?

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What are the next steps to participate?

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More information may be found on the NFLIS website: **https://www.nflis.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/**.