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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Health and Human Services

Division/Bureau/Office:

Population Health and Community Services

Name of person completing this form:

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Name of Department Regulatory Affairs Officer reviewing this form:

Mary Brennan

2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2020-41 HS

Title of proposed rule set:

Definition of Infectious Agents

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

The purpose of this rule is to assist physicians and other medical personnel with the most up-to-date listing of infectious disease agents that must be reported to a funeral director. See MCL 333.2843b. The most recent addition to the listing is COVID-19. There are currently emergency rules in place due to the pandemic for notification to funeral home personnel if the cause of death in an individual was COVID-19. A permanent rule must be promulgated to include COVID-19 as an additional infectious agent.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

The purpose of this rule is to assist physicians and other medical personnel with the most up-to-date listing of infectious disease agents that must be reported to a funeral director and/or a medical examiner. See MCL 333.2843b. In addition to adding COVID-19 to the list, MDHHS will create a link on its website to update and add infectious diseases for physicians and other medical personnel as a timely resource for the most up-to-date reportable diseases.

5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

Oakland Press, August 14, 2020; Battle Creek Enquirer, August 13, 2020; Marquette Mining Journal, August 14, 2020.

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

9/1/2020

7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

9/2/2020 09:00 AM at VIA ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6694057377?pwd=UE4wdTUwY2ZTSzA1OEVSenPWnpFQT09> , Meeting ID: 669 405 7377 Passcode: 299182

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=169>

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) attending public hearing:

Jeffrey Duncan, Director, MDHHS Vital Records and Health Statistics; Paul Walters, MDHHS Internal Control Manager.

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

None

12. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

	Name & Organization	Comments made at public hearing	Written Comments	Agency Rationale for change	Rule number & citation changed
1	No Appearance	none		none	none
2	No Written Comment		none	none	none

13. Date report completed:

9/9/2020