Current IPHIS/EDRS Users Must Enroll in New Ohio Vital Records System

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Bureau of Vital Statistics is replacing its separate electronic vital records systems used to record births and deaths in Ohio (IPHIS/EDRS) with a single Ohio Vital Records System (OVRS) scheduled to go live on January 1, 2025.

The new system will be used by funeral homes, coroners/medical examiners, birth facilities, physicians who complete death certificates, and local health departments. OVRS users should enroll in the new system before go-live to ensure a smooth changeover. Here are the top five reminders to prepare for the transition.

1. What is OVRS?
The Ohio Vital Records System (OVRS) is the new application that the Bureau of Vital Statistics will be transitioning to on January 1, 2025. This system will replace the current IPHIS-EDRS application, providing an updated and improved platform for managing vital records in Ohio.

2. Watch for the Invitation Email and Complete the OVRS Enrollment
In the coming weeks, you may receive an email from donotreply-enterpriseidentity@ohio.gov with instructions for enrollment. It is crucial to follow these instructions and complete enrollment as soon as possible to avoid any disruption in your day-to-day activities with Ohio's vital records once OVRS goes live on January 1, 2025. If you did not receive an email by November 13, 2024, and believe that you should, please contact OVRS@odh.ohio.gov.

3. Create Your OHID Account if You Don't Already Have One
If you do not already have an OHID account on the InnovateOhio Platform, the OVRS enrollment process will guide you through the account creation process. You can also proactively create an OHID account by visiting ohid.ohio.gov and signing up for a new account.

4. Inform and Register Your Support Staff if Necessary
If you have support staff who need access to OVRS, please send their first name, last name, and email address to OVRS@odh.ohio.gov. The OVRS team will then provide them the information and access required to complete enrollment.

5. Reach Out for Assistance
If you have any questions or need further assistance, the OVRS team is ready to help. Contact OVRS@odh.ohio.gov for support during the enrollment process.