

# Victorian Audit of Surgical Mortality Notification of Death (NOD) Form



**Instructions for completing the NOD:** All cases in which a surgeon was responsible for, or had significant involvement in, the care of a patient are within the scope of the audit, whether or not the patient underwent a surgical procedure. The audit includes deaths that occur in a Victorian hospital when: an operation was performed by a **surgeon or gynaecologist**, regardless of who admitted the patient; the patient was under the care of a surgeon or gynaecologist, and no operation was performed; and a **potential anaesthetic component** to the death was identified. The surgical specialties audited are: **Cardiothoracic surgery, General surgery, Gynaecology, Neurosurgery, Ophthalmology, Oral-maxillofacial surgery, Orthopaedic surgery, Trauma, Otolaryngology, Head and Neck surgery, Paediatric surgery, Plastic surgery, Urology and Vascular surgery.**  
Email to [vasm@surgeons.org](mailto:vasm@surgeons.org). Alternatively post to VASM, GPO Box 2821, Melbourne, VIC 3001.



Name of hospital Time period (month) Time period (year) Total number of deaths

URN	Patient's Full Name	Date of Birth <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Gender	Age	Surgeon's Firstname	Surgeon's Surname	Surgeon's Specialty	Date of Admission <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Date of Death <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
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