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TO: THE LAW AND JUDICIAL COMMITTEE
FROM: RICHARD L. KELLER
RE: CORONER'S INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 2008

Coroner's Monthly Report of Investigations conducted for the month of February, 2008:

Return to Doctor Cases: ⁽¹⁾	313
Coroner's Cases: ^{(2), (3)}	36
Total Death Investigations:	349

Total death investigations for February, 2008: 349

Total death investigations for February, 2007: 327

- (1) Return to Doctor (Medical Professional) Cases:
Minimal Investigation is needed; primarily consisting of review of medical history, medical records, and discussion with health care providers involved in the case.
- (2) Inquiry Cases:
More extensive investigation is required to determine whether death is from natural or "unnatural" causes; and excluding causes or manner of death mandating Coroner's Inquest.
- (3) Inquest Cases
Thorough investigation as to the cause of death, with subsequent presentation for a Coroner's Jury, who must determine the manner of death (i.e., homicide, suicide, accidental, or undetermined). Inquest cases are mandated by Illinois Statute by type of death.

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February, 2008 Return to Medical Professional Cases

Those without "Immediate Cause" are awaiting copies of death certificates with
Medical Professional's diagnosis of cause of death

Zip	Immediate Cause	Due To	Due To
34652	Progressive Alzheimers Disease	Dysphagia	Malnutrition
48755	Metastatic Gastric Cancer		
52730	Right Frontal Intracerebrall Bleed	Thrombocytopenia	Breast Cancer
53143	Extreme Prematurity		
53144	Breast Cancer		
55181	Carcinoma of Cecum	Prostate Cancer	Anemia
60002	Ischemic Bowel	Parkinsons Disease	
60002	Head and Neck Cancer		
60002	Inanition	Dementia	
60002	Cerebrovascular Accident		
60008	Aspiration Pneumonia	Advanced Organic Brain Disease	
60010	Coronary Artery Disease		
60010	Acute Respiratory Failure	Acute Pneumonia and Sepsis	Severe Valvular Disease
60010	Metastatic cervical cancer		
60010	Heart Failure		
60010	Breast Cancer		
60010	Pneumonia		
60010	Non-small cell Lung Cancer		
60010	Cardiorespiratory Insufficient	Hypertension	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
60010	Pneumothorax	Chronic Respiratory Failure	
60010	Glioblastoma Multiforme		
60010	Coronary Heart Disease		
60011	Parkinson's Disease		
60013	Cardiovascular Disease	Hypertension	Diabetes
60013	Myocardial Infarction		
60013	Sepsis	Myocardial Infarction	
60015	Congestive heart failure		
60015	Respiratory Failure	Lung Cancer-Adenocarcinoma	
60015	Myelodysplastic Syndrom		
60015	Respiratory Failure	Intracranial Hemorrhage	
60015	Lung Cancer		
60015	Aspiration Pneumonia	Dementia	
60015	Sepsis	Cervical Dyatonia	Dementia
60015	Lymphoma		
60015	Aortic Disection	Renal Failure	Embolic Disease
60015	Breast Cancer		
60015	Lung Cancer status post lobectomy	Atrial Fibrillation	Diabetes Mellitus
60015	Congestive Heart Failure	Sepsis	
60015	Breast Cancer		
60020	Failure to Thrive		
60022	Renal Cancer	Vena Cava Throbus	

60025	Septic Shock		
60025	Respiratory Compromise	Pneumonia	
60030	Lung Cancer	Liver and Bone Mets	
60030	Failure to thrive	Dementia	
60030	Bilateral left > right massive CVA	Atrial fibrillation	HPT
60030	Cerebral Vascular Hemorrhages	Respiratory Failure	
60030	Dementia		
60030	Failure to Thrive		
60030	Respiratory Failure	Liver Cirrhosis	
60030	Acute Respiratory Failure		
60030	Acute myocardial infarction	CAD	Arteriosclerotic disease
60030	Coronary Artery Disease	Hypertension	Dementia
60030	Metastatic Adenocarcinoma	Chronic Renal Failure	Hypertension
60030	Pneumonia	COPD	
60031	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm	Hypertension	
60031			
60031	Breast Cancer with Mets		
60031	Stomach Cancer		
60031	Cardiovascular Compromise		
60031	Lung cancer		
60031	Failure to Thrive	Poor Intake	Dementia
60031	Cardio respiratory arrest	Acute or chronic respiratory failure	End stage COPD
60031	Chronic Renal Insufficiency	Coronary Artery Disease	Cerebral Vascular Disease
60031	Small Cell Lung Cancer		
60031	Atherosclerotic Heart Disease		
60035	Pneumonia	Renal Failure	Diverticulitis
60035	Respiratory Failure	End Stage Renal Disease	
60035	Pneumonia	Uterine Cancer	
60035	Pneumonia	Alzheimers Dementia	Congestive Heart Failure
60035	Renal Failure	Congestive Heart Failure	
60035	Pneumonia		
60035	Myocardial Infarction	Atrial Fibrillation	
60035	Urosepsis	Frontal Lobe Dementia	
60035	Metastatic Breast Cancer		
60035	Respiratory Failure	Cytomegalovirus Sepsis	Enteropathy
60035	Respiratory Failure	Dementia	
60035	Cardiopulmonary Arrest		
60035	Dementia		
60035	Metastatic Breast Cancer		
60035	Respiratory Failure	Cerebral Ischemia	Chronic Atrial Fibrillation
60035	End Stage Renal Disease	Pneumonia	Failure to Thrive
60035	Aspiration Pneumonia	Dysphagia	
60040	Respiratory Arrest	Large Bilateral Pleural Effusions	Congestive Heart Failure
60040	Acute Myocardial Infarction	Uncontrolled Hypertension	Coronary Artery Disease
60040	Respiratory Failure	Advanced Lymphoma	
60040	Pneumonia	Acute Renal Failure	
60041	Congestive Heart Failure		

60041	Sudden Death due to Epilepsy		
60041	Lung cancer	CVA	
60041	Failure to Thrive		
60042	Pancytopenia	Sepsis	Urinary Tract Infection
60044	Respiratory failure	Brain stem infarction	
60045	Pneumonia		
60045	Ovarian cancer		
60045	Respiratory Failure	Metabolic Encephalopathy	Carcinoma of Bladder
60045	Respiratory Failure	Congestive Heart Failure	
60045	Cardiovascular Disease	Dementia	Atrial Fibrillation
60045	Myocardial Infarction	Parkinsons	Congestive Heart Failure
60045	Bladder Cancer		
60045	Breast Cancer with pleural effusion		
60045	Bowel Ischemia	Cirrhosis	
60045	CAD	Congestive heart failure	
60046	Hepatic Cirrhosis and Carcinoma of Liver	Hepatitis C	
60046	Respiratory Failure	Congestive Heart Failure	Cardiomyopathy
60046	Cerebral Infarction		
60046	Coronary Artery Disease	Hypertension	Cardiac Arrest
60046	Respiratory Failure	Lung Cancer	
60046	Cirrhosis of the Liver		
60046	Myocardial Infarction	Cardiomyopathy	
60046	COPD	Dementia	
60046	Cardiopulmonary Arrest	Bowel Obstruction	Disease
60046	Metastatic colon cancer		
60046	Congestive Heart Failure	Severe Calcific Aortic Stenosis	
60046	Pneumonia	Acute Myocardial Infarction	
60046	Dementia	Atherosclerotic Arterial Disease	
60047	Pulmonary Embolism		
60047	Alzheimer's Dementia		
60047	Cardiopulmonary Arrest	Acute Myocardial Infarction	Sepsis
60047	CAD	Atherosclerosis	
60047	Hepatic Cirrhosis		
60047	Dementia		
60047	Metastatic Breast Cancer		
60047	Arrythmia	CAD	
60047	Primary	Hypertension	Cirrhosis
60047	Intracerebral Hemorrhage		
60047	Coronary Artery Disease		
60047	Sepsis	Anemia	Colon Cancer
60047	Metastatic Colon Cancer		
60047	Acute Respiratory Failure	Cardiovascular Disease	
60047	Dementia	Atrial Fibrillation	Failure to Thrive
60047	Sarcoma		
60047	Pneumonia		
60047	End Stage Dementia	Aspiration Pneumonia	
60047	Breast Cancer		

60047	Dementia	Failure To Thrive	Heart Disease
60047	End Stage Liver Failure	Hepatic Encephalopathy	
60047	Hepatic Failure	Sepsis	
60048	Coronary Artery Disease		
60048	Cardio respiratory failure	disease	
60048	Congestive heart failure	Vascular dementia	
60048	Ovarioan cancer		
60048	Cerebrovascular Accident	Alzheimers Dementia	
60048	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	Arrhythmia	
60048	Emphysema		
60048	Pancreatic cancer		
60048	Aspiration Pneumonia	Alzheimers Dementia	
60048	Metastatic GIST tumor		
60048	Pneumonia		
60048	Septic Shock	Sepsis	
60048	Aspiration pneumonia	Parkinsons disease	
60048	CHF		
60048	Parkinsons disease	Dementia	
60048	Cardiorespiratory Failure	Pneumonia	
60048	Septic Shock	Bowel Obstruction	
60048	Pneumonia	Septicemia	
60048	Breast Cancer		
60048	Myocardial Infarction	Dementia	
60048	Congestive Heart Failure	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	Hypertension
60048	Cirrhosis of Liver	Alcohol Abuse	
60048	Respiratory Failure	Sepsis	
60048	Pneumonia	Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease	
60048	Cardiopulmonary Arrest	Upper Respiratory Infection	Disease
60048	Acute Respiratory Arrest	Pneumonia	COPD
60048	Aspiration Pneumonia		
60048	Multiple myeloma	Metabolic encephalopathy	
60049	Endstage Renal Disease	Hypertensive Heart Disease	
60060	Dementia		
60060	Cerebrovascular Event		
60060	Metastatic pancreatic cancer		
60060	Transitional Cell Carcinoma		
60060	Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma-Metastatic		
60060	Congestive Heart Failure		
60060	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	Acute Respiratory Failure	
60060	Ventricular Fibrillation	Cardiomyopathy	
60060	Respiratory Failure		
60060	Respiratory Failure	Multiple Myeloma	
60061	Acute Cerebrovascular Accident	Hypertension	
60061	Anoxic Encephalopathy	Ventricular Fibrillation	Coronary Heart Disease
60061	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease		
60061	Embolic	Hypertension	Anemia
60061	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease		

60061	Failure To Thrive		
60061	Congestive Heart Failure	Acute Coronary Syndrome	Coronary Artery Disease
60061	Upper gastrointestinal bleed		
60061	Myocardial Infarction	Acute Stenosis	
60061	Cardiopulmonary Arrest	End Stage Congestive Heart Failure	Hypertension
60061	Coronary Artery Disease	Hypertension	Congestive Heart Failure
60062	Acute Congestive Heart Failure	Cardiac Tamponade	
60062	Urinary Tract Sepsis	Dementia	
60062	Pneumonia	Congestive Heart Failure	Dementia
60062	Non Small Cell Lung Cancer		
60064	Non small-cell cancer		
60064	Acute Renal Failure	Hepatic Failure	
60064	Multiple Sclerosis		
60064	Colon Cancer		
60064	Acute Myocardial Infarction	Sudden Cardiac Death	Renal Failure
60067	End Stage Alzheimers Dementia		
60069	Alzheimers Disease		
60069	Congestive Heart Failure	Hypertension	Renal Failure
60069	Sudden Cardiac Death	Coronary Artery Disease	Diabetes Mellitus
60069	Advanced Dementia	Atrial Fibrillation	Lymphoma
60070	Non Small Cell Lung Cancer		
60073	Acute Cerebrovascular Accident		
60073	Myocardial Infarction	Sepsis	Hypotension
60073	Cardiac arrest	Alzheimers	CAD
60073	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	COPD	Valvular Heart Disease
60073	Arteral flutter	CAD	non-small cell lung cancer
60073	respiratory failure	advanced dementia	
60073	Esophageal Cancer		
60073	Acute respiiratory failure	bilateral pneumonia	
60073	Dementia	Malnutrtion	
60073	Coronary Artery Disease		
60073	Selective Intrauterine Termination	Multiple Fetal Anomalies	
60073	Fetal Demise		
60073	Metastatic Colon Cancer		
60073	Respiratory Failure	Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease	
60073	Cardiac Ischemia	Coronary Artery Disease	
60073	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease		
60073	Carcinoma of Colon		
60073	Respiratory Failure	Congestive Heart Failure	
60073	Alzheimer's Disease		
60074	Breast Cancer		
60080	Renal sarcoma		
60083	Uremia	Chronic Kidney Disease Stage 6	Polycystic Kidney Disease
60083	Metastatic Breast Cancer		
60083	Sudden Cardiac Death		
60084	Glioblastoma Multiforme		
60084	Myocardial Infarction	Coronary Heart Disease	

60084			
60084	Anoxic Brain Damage	Multiorgan Failure	
60084	Carcinoma of Ear		
60084	Anal Cancer		
60084	Cardiac Arrhythmia	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	
60084	Cardiac Arrhythmia	Coronary Artery Disease	Alzheimers Dementia
60085	Ruptured Appendix	Failed Heart Transplant	
60085			
60085	Aspiration Pneumonia		
60085	Ischemic Bowel Disease		
60085	Acute Cerebrovascular Accident		
60085	Cardiomyopathy	Chronic Kidney Disease	Diabetis Melitus Type 2
60085	Cardiac Respiratory Arrest	Cancer of Uterus with Ascites	
60085	End Stage Renal Failure	Diabetes Mellitus Type 2	
60085	Ventricular Fibrillation	Causing Sudden Death	
60085	Carcinoma of the Small Intestine		
60085	Acute Myocardial Infarction	Diabetes Mellitus	
60085	Thromboembolic Stroke		
60085	Septic Shock	Sepsis	
60085	Respiratory Failure	End-Stage Liver Disease - Alcoholic	
60085	Pneumonia	Severe Sepsis	ARDS
60085	Atrial Fibrillation	Pneumonia, Mantle cell lymphoma	Colon cancer
60085	End stage COPD	Dementia	
60085	Myocardial infarction		
60085	Myocardial Infarction		
60085	Cerebrovascular Accident		
60085	metastatic cancer of the pancreas		
60085	Arteriosclerotic cardiomyopathy		
60085	Aspiration Pneumonia		
60085	Coronary Artery Disease		
60087	Respiratory Failure due to ARDS	Multiorgan System Failure	Pneumonia
60087	Gastic cancer		
60087	Primary Pulmonary Hypertension		
60087	Ventricular Tachycardia, Cardiomyopathy		
60087	End Stage Cardiomyopathy	Coronary Artery Disease	
60087	Acute Respiratory Failure	Cerebrovascular Accident	
60087	ALS (Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis)		
60087	Septic shock	Coronary Artery Disease	Dehydration
60087	Acute arrythmia		
60087	Infection		
60089	Chronic Renal Failure	Congestive Heart Failure	Coronary Artery Disease
60089	Renal Failure	Diabetes	
60089	Dementia		
60089	Pneumonia		
60089	End Stage Alzheimer's		
60089	Dehydration	Cerebrovascular Accident	End Stage Dementia
60089	CVA	Atrial fibrillation	Congestive heart failure

60089	Myocardial Infarction	End Stage Renal Disease	
60089	Coronary Artery Disease		
60089	Congestive Heart Failure	Hypertension	Diabetes
60089	Aspiration Pneumonia	Parkinsons Disease	
60090	Placental Abruption		
60092	Aspiration Pneumonia	Lung Cancer	
60093	Sepsis	Vulvar Cancer	
60096	Acute Febrile Illness	Dementia - Mixed Type	
60096			
60096	Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Pulmonary Embolism	Hypertension
60098	Congestive Heart Failure	Myocardial Infarction	
60099	Atherosclerotic Heart Disease	Pulmonary Fibrosis	Respiratory Failure
60099			
60099	Aspiration Pneumonia	Vomiting	
60099	Coronary Artery Disease	Cardiac Arrest	COPD
60099	Alzheimer-Dementia, Parkinson Disease	Pneumonia, C-Diff Colitis, Sepsis	Heart Failure
60099	Acute Respiratory Failure	Disease	
60099	Cerebrovascular Accident		
60099	Cardiac Rspiratroy Arrest	Esophogeal cancer	
60099	Advanced Dementia	Failure to Thrive	Dementia
60099	Bowel Obstruction	Gastroenteritis	
60099	Cerebrovascular Accident	Diabetes	
60099	Myocardial infarction		
60099	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	Type 2 diabetes	
60099	Failure to Thrive	Dementia	
60099	Hepatic failure	Primary hepatocellular carcinma	
60099	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	Hypertensive Heart Disease	
60101	Failure to thrive	Alzheimers / Dementia	
60103	Fetal Demise		
60191	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	Cerebral Vascular Accident	
60192	Fetal demise		
60193	Cardiogenic shock	Coronary Artery Disease	Abdominal aortic aneurysm
60435	Lymphoma	Respiratory Failure	
62863	Metastatic Renal Cancer	Mets to Lung and Bone	
80621	Metastatic Melanoma to Lung	Right Upper Extremity	Glioblastoma multiforma

February, 2008 Inquiry Cases

"Pending" - Cause indeterminate at present, pending completion of Inquiry.

Zip	Immediate Cause	Due To	Due To
60030	Peritonitis	Appendectomy	Appendicitis
60031	Ischemic Cardiovascular Disease		
60041	Chronic Alcohol Abuse		
60044	Skin Cancer		
60064	Coronary Artery Insufficiency	Congestive Heart Failure	
60064	Hypertension		
60089	Hypertensive Heart Disease		
60096	Ischemic Heart Disease		
60099	Pending		
60099	Brain Hernia ion	Acute Intracerebral Hemorrhage	Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease
60099	Dilated Cardiomyopathy		
60099	Cardiovascular Disease		

February, 2008 Inquest Cases

"Pending" - Cause indeterminate at present, pending completion of Inquest.

Zip	Immediate Cause	Due To	Due To
53151	Oxycodone Intoxication		
60002	Seizure Disorder	Remote Blunt Force Trauma	Auto v. Auto
60004	Pending		
60008	Sub-Dural Hematoma	Fall	
60013	Multiple Blunt Force Injuries	Motor Vehicle vs Bicyclist	
60015	Suffocation		
60030	Pending		
60031	Cocaine Intoxication		
60035	Pending		
60045	Cocaine Intoxication		
60047	Pending		
60051	Asphyxia	Compression of Chest	Blunt Force Trauma
60060	Pending		
60060	Multiple Traumatic Injuries	Pedestrian vs. Motor Vehicle Collision	
60064	Pending		
60073	Pending		
60073	Multiple Injuries	Pedestrian Vs. Train Collision	
60084	Respiratory Failure	Multiple Traumatic Injuries	Motor Vehicle Crash
60084	Cocaine Intoxication		
60085	Cocaine Intoxication		
60087	Syndrome		
60099	PENDING		
60099	Polysubstance Overdose		