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### 2025 Wisconsin Act 19 [2025 Senate Bill 43]

### Advanced Practice Nurse Pronouncement of Patient Date, Time, and Place of Death

## BACKGROUND

Prior law provided that, for the purposes of preparing a death record, only a physician, naturopathic doctor, coroner, deputy coroner, medical examiner, deputy medical examiner, physician assistant, or hospice nurse may pronounce the date, time, and place of a patient's death.

## 2025 WISCONSIN ACT 19

2025 Wisconsin Act 19 adds an advanced practice nurse prescriber who is directly involved with the care of a patient who dies to the list of health care providers who may pronounce the date, time, and place of a patient's death for the purpose of preparing a death record.

**Effective date:** August 10, 2025

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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