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04-0105-GW-2025	Alpena	Released to Funeral Home	76/M that was reported to have been found in the bathroom after last seen this AM. Hx of ASCVD and DM. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was ASCVD with DM. The manner is natural.
04-0108-TV-2025	Alpena	Released to	66/M that was found unresponsive by a friend who arrived to take her to a doctor's appointment. It was reported that the decedent recently lost a considerable amount of weight and was ill. It was also reported that the decedent has an extensive cardiovascular history and is a current smoker. Dr. Wagner reviewed the case and determined that cause of death was ASCVD with hypertension, the manner is natural. Toxicology was taken for contributing factors only.
04-0111-CM-2025	Alpena		52/F that was found deceased by her sister when she came to check on her. It was reported that the decedent has Turner Syndrome causing her to have dwarfism and cardiac issues. The decedent recently started working out and thought she pulled a muscle in her chest on Thursday. Dr. Wagner reviewed the case and determined that cause of death was cardiovascular disease with Turner Syndrome as a contributing cause, the manner is natural. Toxicology was taken for contributing causes only.
04-0114-CJ-2025	Alpena		71/F that was reported to have been found dead at home after welfare check by friends. The female had a Hx of ASCVD and had C/O not feeling well for a few days when last seen. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was an AMI. The manner is natural.
04-0116-NL-2025	Alpena	Released to	68/F that was reported to have been found outside very cold and unresponsive. The female was transported to the ED and after an extended resuscitation the female was pronounced dead. Dr Wagner reviewed the case and determined that the cause of death was complications of hypothermia with ASCVD. The manner is accident.
04-0117-WG-2025	Alpena		72/M that was reported to have been driving and told his wife something was wrong and pulled over and became unresponsive. The male was transported to the ED. Hx of probable ASCVD. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was an AMI. The manner is natural.
04-0119-BA-2025	Alpena		27/F that was found deceased in a homeless shelter. It was reported that other residents could hear her baby crying for over a day and had staff open the door to check on her. She was found obviously deceased with drug paraphernalia nearby and fresh track marks. Cause and manner are pending toxicology. Dr Wagner reviewed the findings and determined that the cause of death was Acute intoxication of fentanyl, norfentanyl, methamphetamine and amphetamine. The manner is accident.
04-0119-NA-2025	Alpena	Released to Funeral Home	53 yo male found deceased by his father. In the absence of LE concerns and given the decedent's medical hx, Dr. Wagner determined the COD to be sudden cardiac death due to uncontrolled DM with kidney failure as a contributing factor. The MOD is natural.
04-0122-KH-2025	Alpena	Released to Funeral Home	103/F that was reported to have been found on floor in her room as SNF. The female was C/O hip pain and was transported to the ED and later moved to inpatient. The feamle was Dx with hip fracture. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was complications of a fall. The manner is accidental.
04-0123-NS-2025	Alpena		64/M that was in ED for several hours awaiting transfer and suffered a cardiac arrest. The male had an extensive Hx and was reported to be septic. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was related to complications of sepsis. The manner is natural.
04-0125-ST-2025	Alpena	Released to Funeral Home	62/F that was reported to have been a witnessed cardiac arrest at home and was transported to the ED for care. The female had a Hx of ASCVD, COPD, Liver disease, CHF and IDDM and was COVID positive in the ED Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was complications of her underlying medical conditions. The manner is natural.
04-0127-BL-2025	Alpena		66/F that was reported to have been found dead at home after well-being check. Hx of COPD and ASCVD. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was complications of an AMI. The manner is natural.
04-0128-EK-2025	Alpena	Released to Funeral Home	70/M with Hx of spinal fracture which resulted in quadriplegia since 1971. The male was transported to the hospital for respiratory distress and sepsis. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was respiratory failure with complications of spinal trauma. The manner is accident.
04-1231-WC-2024	Alpena	Released to	MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena contacted us as we are the ME office for Alpena County. They have the decedent in their care when he passed away on 12/31/24. He has no children, not married, and no living parents. Efforts were exhausted on finding next of kin by Nick Harrison, and hospital social work. Linnessa Mellberg ran a TLO search. The university is not taking unclaimed decedents at this time. McWilliam's Funeral Home in Alpena graciously accepted to take this case and is seeking SER for cremation services. The death certificate is signed by Ryan Farley, MD. Cause of death: Cardiogenic shock and severe aortic stenosis. Manner of death is natural. DC and documentation is attached to this file.