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Nurse Practitioners have a wide role in the medical field, including signing off on death certificates.

Currently in Oregon, nurse practitioners can be "medical examiners" and "death investigators." They are part of the group, along with physicians and physician assistants, who can be appointed to investigate and certify the cause and manner of deaths that require investigation.

This is a natural progression of any of licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants.