

Figure A2.1: Extract from Scottish medical certificate of cause of death

Cause of death		Approximate interval between onset and death		
		Years	Months	Days
I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cause of death was as stated below:				
I Disease or condition directly leading to death*	(a)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>due to (or as a consequence of)</i>			
Antecedent causes	(b)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Morbid conditions, if any,	<i>due to (or as a consequence of)</i>			
giving rise to the above cause,	(c)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
stating the underlying	<i>due to (or as a consequence of)</i>			
condition last	(d)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>due to (or as a consequence of)</i>			
II Other significant conditions contributing to the death, but not related to the disease or condition causing it	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

* This does not mean mode of dying, such as heart failure or respiratory failure; it means the disease, injury or complication that caused death.