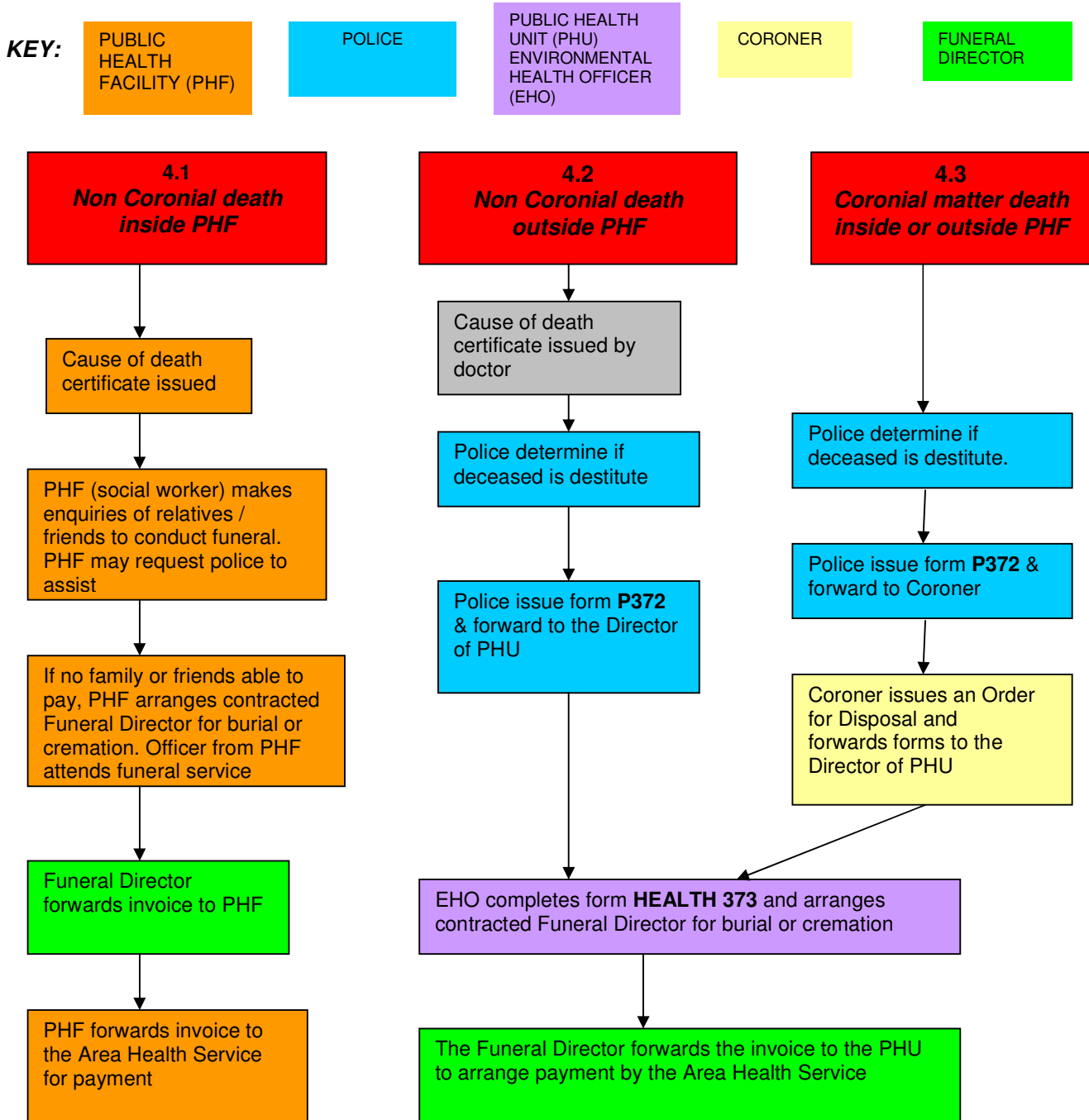


CREMATION OR BURIAL OF DECEASED DESTITUTE PERSONS FLOW CHART

This flow chart is a summary of NSW Health Policy Directive 2008_012 Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 to assist PHU, Public Health Facility (public hospital, State Government nursing home or other) staff, Police & Government Contractors following the death of a destitute person.



Note 1. If a patient is transferred from their admitting hospital to a remote hospital and then dies, it is the responsibility of the remote hospital for arranging transfer of the deceased (via contractor and payment of transfer) to the area of residence of the deceased (*Sec.10 of PD2008_012*).

Note 2. If staff of hospital/public health facility are aware that the family of a deceased person who in obvious need for assistance with funeral expenses should direct the family to the hospital social worker (*Sec 9 of PD2008_012*).

Note 3. Cost recovery from destitute persons estate is possible and should be investigated by referral to Police where relevant.