Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)

North Dakota

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Meet the Speaker

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What is a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program?

- A PDMP/PMP is a **statewide** electronic database which collects designated data on specified substances dispensed to or for patients. The PDMP is housed by a state regulatory, administrative or law enforcement agency. The housing agency disseminates information from the database to individuals who are authorized under state law to receive the information for purposes identified by state law.
North Dakota PDMP Overview

• Legislature initiated legislation in 2005 and PDMP became operational in 2007

• The PDMP is housed and operated by the ND Board of Pharmacy

• Appriss is the vendor which collects and maintains PDMP information for our state since 2014 through the PMP AWARxE platform
North Dakota PDMP Overview

- All controlled substance are reported to the PDMP. In August of 2017 Gabapentin (not a controlled substance) was added as a reportable drug to the PDMP.
- Dispensers of reportable drugs to humans need to report their dispensing history to the PDMP on a daily basis.
Exceptions/Exclusions for Reporting

• **Patients** include: all outpatients, residents in assisted living facilities, & residents of nursing homes. We now get reports for patients of the Indian Health Services and the Veterans Administration. We currently are unable to obtain information from hospital inpatient pharmacies and opioid treatment programs.

• We currently do not require reporting for dispensing to non-human patients (veterinarian) although we do have the ability to accept these reports.
Data Exchange Time Period

• **Lag-time:** It takes approximately one business day from the date a prescription is dispensed until it appears in a report. The report can provide a patient’s controlled substance history for the past 3 years.

• **NDPDMP** does not warrant any report to be accurate or complete. The Report is based on the search criteria entered & the data entered from the dispensing pharmacy. For more information about any prescription in an NDPDMP report or to verify a prescription, contact the pharmacy or location where it was dispensed.

• **Direct Access:** Allows direct access to patient profile history reports for prescribers, pharmacists, their delegate(s) & a ND Medicaid representative.
PDMP access

- Prescribers and their delegates
- Dispensers and their delegates
- Law enforcement
- Judicial authorities
- Licensed addiction counselors
- Medicaid/workforce safety
- Professional licensing boards
- Researchers (deidentified information)
- Peer review committee
Use of the PDMP under certain circumstances

• In 2015, the ND legislature passed legislation requiring the administrative boards of each human prescribing and dispensing profession to develop and implement rules governing the use of the PDMP in their practice. Each Board has finalized rules and implemented them on their profession.
Limitations of Matching Data

- **PDMP does not guarantee any report to be wholly accurate or complete.** The report is based on the search criteria entered and the data submitted by the dispenser. For questions about any record in an PDMP report or to verify a prescription, contact the dispenser directly. If there are any concerns about data provided, contact our office.

- **Account consolidations are consistently being done to ensure the best accurate information is made available.**

- **It is always recommended in searches with a name and DOB to also enter a Zip code to help create a better search.**
Data Availability

• The PMP AWARxE online database can be accessed 24/7 for providers needing to search patient PDMP records

• Unsolicited reports are generated on patients meeting any of the three thresholds
  - Receiving reported drugs from more than 3 pharmacies or 3 prescribers in last 3 months
  - Morphine milligram equivalent level per day over 90
  - Receiving concurrent opioid and benzodiazepine prescriptions
Other State Databases

• Through the National Association of Board of Pharmacy Prescription Monitoring Program Interconnect project (PMPi) we are connected to 33 states. (including all border states)

• Future connection are ready to be made with any future states when and if they are ready
Trends and Use Patterns

- Researchers and Epidemiologists have access to PDMP information for their use in monitoring trends and patterns. Our office continually tracks and makes adjustments to our program to ensure we are providing the best information to our providers that we can to assure public safety and appropriate prescribing.
State PDMP Moving Forward

• Integrations continue to be the trending issue in PDMPs including North Dakota. Our Health Information network (HIN) has an integration built with our PDMP. Other health systems and pharmacy software can easily make these integrations through the PMP Gateway solution.

• Improvements are continually being considered and implemented based on feedback from users.
QIN-QIO Involvement

• Why work with your QIN-QIO?
  ○ Access to data
  ○ Coordinated Efforts
    - QPP Quality Measures & Improvement Activities
      ▪ Ex. Consultation of the PDMP (Activity ID: IA_PSPA_6)
  ○ Education and training
  ○ Process Improvement

• Additional QIN-QIO Information:

http://greatplainsqin.org/
Thank you for watching!

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