

# PDMP Work Group Legislative Update, Training and Annual Report to the General Assembly



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Prescription Drug Abuse  
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# Legislative Updates



Colorado Senate Bill 22-027 (SB 22-027) clarifies that all DEA-licensed practitioners and all pharmacists **licensed** in Colorado are required to register and maintain a user account with the Colorado PDMP at [colorado.pmpaware.net](https://colorado.pmpaware.net)



# Legislative Updates



Colorado House Bill 22-1115 (HB 22-1115) removes restrictions on the number of delegate users a DEA-licensed practitioner or pharmacist may authorize to query the PDMP on the practitioner's or pharmacist's behalf



# SB22-027 and HB22-1115

**Clarify that each practitioner or the practitioner's delegate is required to query the PDMP prior to prescribing an opioid unless the patient receiving the prescription:**

Is receiving the opioid in a hospital, skilled nursing facility, residential facility, or correctional facility

Has been diagnosed with cancer and is experiencing cancer-related pain

Is undergoing palliative care or hospice care

Is experiencing post-surgical pain that, because of the nature of the procedure, is expected to last more than 14 days

Is receiving treatment during a natural disaster or during an incident where mass casualties have taken place

Has received only a single dose to relieve pain for a single test or procedure



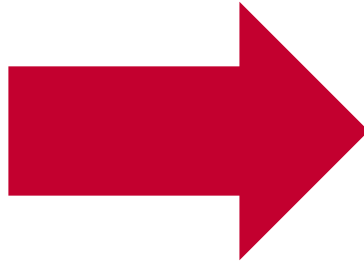
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# SB22-027 and HB22-1115

**Clarify That Each Practitioner or the Practitioner's Designee Shall Query the Program before Prescribing a Benzodiazepine to a Patient Unless the Benzodiazepine is Prescribed to Treat a Patient ...**



- In Hospice
- To Treat Epilepsy, a Seizure, Seizure Disorder or Suspected Seizure Disorder, Spasticity, Alcohol Withdrawal, or a Neurological Condition, Including a Post-Traumatic Brain Injury or Catatonia



# SB22-027 and HB22-1115 Enforcement

- **Per 12-30-109(1)(b), C.R.S.**, failure to comply with this requirement is grounds for unprofessional conduct if the practitioner repeatedly fails to comply.
- **Per 12-280-404(4)(d), C.R.S.**, a violation of this requirement does not create a private right of action or serve as the basis of a cause of action.
- The Colorado PDMP does not have the statutory authority to notify licensing boards of a practitioner's compliance with this requirement on an unsolicited or proactive basis.
- **However, a licensing board could subpoena a practitioner's PDMP information if the board receives a complaint against the practitioner.**
- **Per 12-280-404(3)(i), C.R.S.**, the Colorado PDMP is available for query to "State regulatory boards within the division and the director, so long as the information released is specific to an individual practitioner and is part of a bona fide investigation, and the request for information is accompanied by an official court order or subpoena"



# PDMP Training Resources

Tutorial Documents and Webinars Include Information Regarding:

How to  
Create a  
Prescriber  
PMP  
AWARE  
Account

Key PMP  
AWARE  
Features  
and  
Functions  
for  
Prescribers

How to  
Create a  
Delegate  
PMP  
AWARE  
Account

Key PMP  
AWARE  
Features  
and  
Functions  
for  
Delegates

Patient  
Alerts and  
Prescriber  
Reports

How to Do  
a Bulk  
Patient  
Search in  
PMP  
AWARE

Colorado PDMP Tutorials, User Guides and Webinars: [dpo.colorado.gov/PDMP/Training](https://dpo.colorado.gov/PDMP/Training)  
Colorado PDMP web portal: [colorado.pmpaware.net](https://colorado.pmpaware.net)



# PDMP Delegate Access: Supervisor Responsibilities

Ensuring that delegate access is limited to what is authorized for practitioner or pharmacist access in §12-280-404(3), C.R.S. and that access occurs in a manner that protects the confidentiality of PDMP information.

Any negligent breach of confidentiality of information obtained from the PDMP by the delegate

A supervising practitioner or pharmacist is subject to penalties for inappropriate access of PDMP information by the delegate user





# PDMP Delegate Access



**Per §12-280-403(2)(b), C.R.S.:**

Designees (delegates) must be employed by, or under contract with, the same professional practice as the supervising practitioner or the same pharmacy as the supervising pharmacist.



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# Key Information for PDMP Users

- DORA PDMP website: <https://dpo.colorado.gov/PDMP>
- Colorado PDMP user web portal: <https://colorado.pmpaware.net>
- All DEA-licensed practitioners and all pharmacists **licensed** in Colorado are required to have a user account with the Colorado PDMP.
- Delegate Reverification occurs in February. Practitioners and pharmacists with delegates will receive an email in February if you have delegate users linked to your account.
- Users can add a **mobile phone number** to your Colorado PDMP account for password reset purposes through the **“My Profile”** menu.



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# Contact Information



**Bamboo Health PDMP Support  
available 24/7 at (855) 263-6403**

**General assistance for confirming PDMP registration status  
and login email address, general troubleshooting**

**Bamboo Health Support cannot change your login email  
address or any other information on your PDMP account**

All automated notifications regarding your  
Colorado PDMP account will come from  
**[no-reply@colorado.pmpaware.net](mailto:no-reply@colorado.pmpaware.net)**



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# Contact Information



PDMP State Administrator

Available 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon-Fri at

**(303) 894-5957** or

**[PDMPINQR@STATE.CO.US](mailto:PDMPINQR@STATE.CO.US)**

- **Update Your PDMP Login Email Address if Your Account is not Accessible**
- **All Other Questions and Support Regarding the Colorado PDMP**



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# PDMP Task Force Annual Report

**§12-280-409, C.R.S. requires the PDMP Task Force to submit an Annual Report to the DORA Executive Director and the Colorado General Assembly. The Annual Report is required to:**

Examine Issues,  
Opportunities  
and Weaknesses  
of the Program

Make Recommendations  
on Ways to Make the  
Program a More Effective  
Tool for Practitioners and  
Pharmacists to Reduce  
Prescription Drug Misuse  
in Colorado



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# And ... Per SB22-027



Evaluate and make recommendations to the DORA Executive Director, after engaging in a stakeholder process, regarding balancing the program as a health care tool with the enforcement of PDMP statutory requirements



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# PDMP Task Force Annual Report

The PDMP Task Force submitted its 2021-2022 Annual Report to the DORA Executive Director and the Colorado General Assembly on July 1, 2022

All PDMP Task Force Annual Reports are Available at [www.leg.state.co.us/library/reports.nsf/reports.xsp](http://www.leg.state.co.us/library/reports.nsf/reports.xsp)

In the "Statutory Cite" Pick List, select 12-280-409(2) to Find the PDMP Task Force Annual Reports



# PDMP Task Force Annual Report

## Evaluates

Effectiveness of Unsolicited Reporting to Licensing Boards of Licensees' Prescribing Activity

## Evaluates

Effects of Allowing Law Enforcement Access to PDMP Data Without Requiring a Subpoena or Court Order



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# PDMP Task Force Annual Report

## Recommendations Regarding Tasks #1 and #2

- **Do not recommend changes to current law. Increased access by licensing boards and law enforcement would be counter to the history of the PDMP in Colorado and national trends of PDMPs becoming more focused on its value as clinical decision support tool.**
- **Most stakeholders opposed changes to current law.**
- **Found evidence that increasing regulatory and law enforcement of prescribing has created unintended consequences for patients with chronic pain or long-term opioid therapy. Such patients report challenges in finding appropriate care, especially when seeking a new provider due to practitioners' perceptions that increasing criminal and regulatory oversight place them at risk of disciplinary action, criminal prosecution or civil liability.**
- **If the General Assembly chooses to allow licensing boards or law enforcement to receive unsolicited reports from the PDMP, the Task Force recommends granting licensing boards the authority to determine the criteria, require transparency in the criteria and how the information is used, and require de-identified data be reviewed by an expert committee to ensure alerts to boards or law enforcement are only sent when there is a high likelihood of professional misconduct or criminal activity.**



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# PDMP Task Force Annual Report

## Future Evaluation Considerations

- **PDMPs have evolved from a regulatory and law enforcement tool in the first wave of the opioid crisis toward a clinical decision support tool and patient safety tool as the opioid crisis has evolved.**
- **Support PDMP integration with electronic health technology to promote utilization by practitioners and pharmacists.**
- **Evaluate use of PDMP data in practice improvement initiatives and consider allowing practitioners and their organizations to use identified or partially-identified information for practice improvement initiatives.**
- **Evaluate collecting and sharing non-fatal overdose information through the PDMP.**
- **Evaluate authorizing PDMP data to be used in overdose fatality reviews.**
- **Evaluate sharing PDMP data with state Medicaid offices.**



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# HB 22-1115: PDMP Integration Funding

Section 12-280-403(10), C.R.S.:

(a) Subject to available funding, the division shall solicit applications from public and private integration organizations and, on or before July 1, 2024, approve:

- (I) Qualified integration organizations that practitioners and pharmacists may use to integrate access of and data entry into the program; and
- (II) Qualified integration organizations that practitioners and pharmacists may use to integrate access of and data entry into a patient's electronic medical records.

(b) The division shall implement a process whereby practitioners and pharmacists who have not integrated their electronic medical records and the program may apply for and receive money from a qualified integration organization approved by the division to help defray all or a portion of the costs to integrate the program and electronic medical records.



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# Questions?



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# THANK YOU



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