



Government of the District of Columbia Department of Health

Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
Advisory Committee Meeting

2201 Shannon Place SE WASHINGTON, DC 20020

WEBEX MEETING April 8, 2025 10:00 AM—11:30 AM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER:

PRESIDING: Aisha Nixon

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:		
	Aisha Nixon, MPT, CPM, Associate Director	
	Justin Ortique, PharmD, RPh, CPM, Board of Pharmacy Executive Director, Program Manager Pharmaceutical Control Division	
	Sithembile Chithenga, MD, MPH Board of Medicine Executive Director	
	Vito R. DelVento, DVM, MS, Board of Veterinary Medicine Executive Director, Program Manager Animal Services Program	
	Camesha Thompson, RN ACRN, Board of Nursing Executive Director	
	Natalie Kirilichin, MD, MPH, Emergency Medicine Physician	
	Sheri Doyle, MPH, Consumer Member	
	Captain Shawn Rooney, Metropolitan Police Department	
	Careen-Joan Franklin, PharmD, RPh, Pharmacist	
	Sharon Hunt, L.I.C.S.W., Ph.D., State Opioid Treatment Authority	
	Kimberley Heine, Forensic Toxicologist, QA/QC Program Manager	
	Tayiana J Reed, Pharm D, MS, AAHIVP, RPH, Pharmacist	
PDMP STAFF:	Reginal Bellamy, PharmD, RPh, Supervisory Pharmacist	
	Monai Lowe, PharmD, RPh, PDMP Pharmacist	
	Laurel Alcenat, MBA, Program Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	Carla Williams, Esq, Senior Assistant General Counsel, PDMP Attorney Advisor	
VISITORS:		

Open Session Agenda Quorum:

0408-O-01	Welcome New Committee Members & Introductions	Ms. Nixon
	Chair Report	
	Charge of the Committee	
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	(a) On the implementation and evaluation of the Program;	
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	(c) On standardization of the methodology that should be used for analysis and interpretation of prescription monitoring data;	
	 (d) In determining the most efficient and effective manner in which to disclose the findings to proactively inform prescribers regarding the indications of possible abuse or misuse of covered substances; 	
	(e) On identifying drugs of concern that demonstrate a potential for abuse and that should be monitored; and	
	(f) Regarding the design and implementation of educational coursesfor:	
	 Persons who are authorized to access the prescription monitoring information; 	
	(2) Persons who are authorized to access the prescription monitoring information, but who have violated the laws or breached professional standards involving the prescribing, dispensing, or use of any controlled substances or drugs monitored by the Program;	
	(3) Prescribers on prescribing practices, pharmacology, and identifying, treating, and referring patients addicted to or abusing controlled substances or drugs monitored by the Program; and	
	(4) The public about the use, diversion and abuse of, addiction to, and treatment for the addiction to controlled substances or drugs monitored by the Program.	
0408-O-02	Approval of December 2024 PDMP Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes (a) Minutes from the December 2024 Meeting	Ms. Nixon
	(a) williates from the December 2024 Meeting	
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0408-O-03	Report from Attorney	/ Advisor			Ms. Williams
0408-O-04	 Matters for Consideration Create a Continuing Education (CE) training program for providers and dispensers registering for the PDMP Require CE training for initial licensing and licensing renewals for providers and dispensers 				
0408-O-05	PDMP Registration	Statistics and C	Compliance Re	eport	Dr. Ortique
	Licensed Professional	Number of DC Licensed Active Professionals	Number of Registered PDMP Users	Percentage of DC Licensed Active Professionals Registered with the PDMP	Ortique
	Physician	14,787	13,573	91.2%	
	Physician Assistant	1,251	1,136	90.81%	
	Advanced Practice Nurse	4,698	3,995	85.03%	
	Pharmacist	2,066	2,038	98.64%	
	Dentist	1,273	1,163	91.35%	
	Veterinarian	531	472	88.88%	
	Podiatrist	138	125	90.58%	
	Optometrist	212	200	94.48%	
	Naturopathic Physician	65	60	92.30%	
	VA Prescriber		285		
	VA Dispenser		42		
	Pharmacy Technician or Delegate	1,081	4		
	Other (Licensing Board Investigator, Law Enforcement, Medical Examiner, Admin)		33		
	Total	22,727	21,249	91%	
	*Current as of 3/28/	2025			

0408-O-06	Engagen	nent and Outre	ach Activ	ities			Dr. Ortique
	<u>Outreach</u>	activities since	the Decen	nber 2024 me	eeting:		
	Date of Event	Name of Event	Type of Event	Topics Discussed	Audience	Number of Participants	
	1/22/25	DC PDMP Basics for Pharmacists	Webinar	DC PDMP	Pharmaci st	123	
	2/13/25	Management of Opioid Use Disorder Update on Clinical and Regulatory Landscape	Webinar	Opioids	DC Prescriber s and Dispenser s	65	
0408-O-07	Present	tation: PDMP U	<u>pdates</u>				Dr. Lowe
0408-O-08	Annual	Report Draft					
0408-O-09	• Aug	eeting Dates ust 19, 2025 ember 9, 2025					Dr. Ortique
0408-O-10	Other ne	ews/highlights fr	om Comm	ittee member	rs		
Comments from the Public							
Motion to Adjourn the Open Session	Madam	Chair, I move th	at the Cor	nmittee close	the meetir	ng.	Ms. Nixon

This concludes the meeting	g.
Meeting Adjourned at	<u>:</u>

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2201 Shannon Place SE – Room 290A WASHINGTON, DC 20020

Hybrid Meeting

December 10, 2024 10:15 AM—11:40 AM

Open Session Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: 10:15 am

PRESIDING: Justin Ortique, PharmD, RPh, CPM, Board of Pharmacy Executive Director, Program Manager Pharmaceutical Control Division

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:		
	Justin Ortique, PharmD, RPh, CPM, Board of Pharmacy Executive Director, Program Manager Pharmaceutical Control Division	Present
	Aisha Nixon, MPT, CPM, Associate Director	Absent
	Sithembile Chithenga, MD, Board of Medicine Executive Director	Absent
	Vito R. DelVento, DVM, MS, Board of Veterinary Medicine Executive Director,	
	Program Manager Animal Services Program	(virtually)
	Ericka L. Walker, MSW Interim Executive Director Board of Nursing	Absent
	Natalie Kirilichin, MD, MPH, Emergency Medicine Physician	Present
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	Sheri Doyle, MPH, Consumer Member	Absent
	Captain Shawn Rooney, Metropolitan Police Department	Absent
	Sharon Hunt, L.I.C.S.W., Ph.D., State Opioid Treatment Authority	Present
	Kimberley Heine, Forensic Toxicologist, QA/QC Program Manager	Present
	Tayiana Reed PharmD, MS, AAHIVP, ACE, RPh, Pharmacist	Present
	Careen-Joan Franklin, PharmD, RPh, Pharmacist	Present
PDMP STAFF:	Reginal Bellamy, PharmD, RPh, Supervisory Pharmacist	Present
	Laurel Alcenat, MBA, Program Specialist	Present
	Monai Lowe, PharmD, RPh, PDMP Pharmacist	Present
LEGAL STAFF:	Carla Williams, Esq, Senior Assistant General Counsel, PDMP Attorney Advisor	Present
VISITORS:	Kabri Harris, P4 Student working with the DHCF, guest with Dr. Tayiana Reed	
	Reyna Alexander Osborne, Toxicology staff assistance, guest with Dr. Kimberley Heine	

Open Session Agenda Quorum: YES

1210-O-01	Welcome & Introductions Chair	Dr. Justin Ortique
	Report	Ortique
	Charge of the Committee	
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	(4) The public about the use, diversion and abuse of, addiction to, and treatment for the addiction to controlled substances or drugs monitored by the Program. Dr. Justin Ortique called the meeting to order and provided a brief overview of the Charge of the committee	
1210-O-02	Approval of August 2024 PDMP Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes	
	(a) Minutes from the August 2024 Meeting Motion by: Committee member Dr. Tayiana Reed made the motion to approve the August 2024 meeting minutes. Seconded by: Committee member Dr. Sharon Hunt	

Roll Call Vote:

Dr. Vito R. DelVento in favor of the motion

Dr. Sharon Hunt in favor of the motion

Kimberley Heine in favor of the motion

Dr. Tayiana Reed in favor of the motion

Dr. Careen-Joan Franklin in favor of the motion

Motion carried; minutes approved

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Report from Attorney Advisor- No Report

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Program Updates (a) PDMP Re	gistration Stat	istics and C	Compliance	Dr. Ortique
Licensed Professional	Number of DC Licensed Active Professionals	Number of Registered PDMP Users	Percentage of DC Licensed Active Professionals Registered with the PDMP	
Physician	16,275	14,468	89%	
Physician Assistant	1,421	1,237	87%	
Advanced Practice Nurse	4,371	3,774	86%	
Pharmacist	2,299	2,105	92%	
Dentist	1,224	1,136	93%	
Veterinarian	499	4 7	90%	
Podiatrist	137	1 4	91%	
Optometrist	206	1 7	96%	
Naturopathic Physician	65	53	82%	
VA Prescriber	-	357	-	
VA Dispenser	-	47	-	
Pharmacy Technician or Delegate	1,319	4	0%	
Other (Licensing Board Investigator, Law Enforcement, Medical Examiner, Admin)		44		
	27,816	23,997	89%	

*Current as of 12/2/2024

(b) Outreach Activity

Outreach activities since the August 2024 meeting:

Date of Event	Name of Event	Type of Event	Topics Discussed	Audience	Number of Participants	
10/25/24	Improving the Treatment of OUD for Youth	CE webinar	()ninide	DC prescribers and dispensers	83	

	 Dr. Ortique went over the updated PDMP registration statistics and compliance. Optometrists are the most compliant at the moment. Overall, we're doing well with the registration compliance. Dr. Ortique spoke about the outreach event that has happened since the August 2024 meeting. This event, Improving the Treatment of OUD for Youth, had 83 participants 	
1210-O-06	Grant Updates (a) Districtwide Gateway Integration A total of 138 health entities have connected to the DC PDMP through Gateway Integration in total since integration began in 2019.	Dr. Ortique

(b) Dashboard DC Gateway Advertisement Running 11/12/24 - 12/12/24

(c) 2024 PDMP Harold Rodgers PDMP National Conference, PDMPs: Collaborating to Address the Prescription Drug Crisis
Occurred August 13-15, 2024, in Herndon, VA
DC PDMP staff had the opportunity to network with other PDMP
Administrators and learn about other jurisdictions grant related projects

 Dr. Ortique went over the grant updates that has occurred since the last meeting.

1210-O-07 Presentation

Dr. Lowe

DC Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Updates(attached)
Presented by: Dr. Monai Lowe, PharmD, RPh, PDMP Pharmacist

- Dr. Lowe presented on PDMP updates. She went over the following items:
 - Dashboard cleanup
 - Dispenser Profile Cleanup
 - o Fine Schedule suggested
 - Consolidation tab cleared
 - o No specialty" Provider Notice
 - Active prescriber identification activated
 - Gateway Integration
 - Continuing Education training
- Dr. Lowe went over the dashboard with the committee and illustrated to them the components of the dashboard. She mentioned how vital it is that providers select a specialty so they can have an accurate result when comparing themselves among their peers. She suggested sending a notice to providers who haven't listed a specialty yet. She touched on Gateway Integrations, which streamlines communication and data transfer. Gateway Integration also enhances clinical workflows by eliminating extra login steps. As far as continuing education, DC PDMP is partnering with Howard University and DACS (District Addiction Consultation Services) in January and March 2025 to offer a CE training for Pharmacists and Providers to assist them with PDMP registration and illustrate the benefits of using DC PDMP. Also require CE training for initial licensing and licensing renewals for providers and dispensers.

Dr.Reed

TFFS MTM Program Presentation
Presented by: Tayiana Reed PharmD, MS, AAHIVP, ACE, RPh

- Dr. Reed gave a brief overview on the FFS (Fee for service) MTM (Medication Therapy Management) Program. The goal of the FFS MTM program is to optimize therapeutic outcomes with these three components: Pharmacist, Patient, and Medication. The MTM program has been going on for about 5 years. To be eligible for the MTM program, an individual must be an outpatient (3 or more qualifying health conditions; nonadherent), must be prescribed 10 + medications per month, and must be eligible for DHCF Lock in. Medicare Part D beneficiaries and Home Health Program Beneficiaries are excluded from being eligible for MTM. The MTM Pharmacy Provider Eligibility is as follow:
 - Licensed Pharmacist (unrestricted, has malpractice insurance, and MTM education)

	 Active NPI Must be enrolled as a DC Medicaid provider Must utilize electronic MTM system that's in accordance with DHCF Must meet the requirements of the SPA (state plan amendment) DC-24- 	
	 Dr. Reed went over the implementation process and the program workflow. The MTM will most likely be provided via telehealth. The state plan amendment was approved on 8/2/24 	
1210-O-08	Action Items	Dr. Ortique
Matters for Consideration	 PDMP Advisory Committee potential recommendation(s) Dr. Ortique stated that they'll vote on these recommendations during our next meeting since we were not in quorum at this moment. 	
	Potential Future meeting date: April 8, 2025	
	April 8, 2025August 19, 2025	
1210-O-09	Other news/highlights from Committee members	
Comments from the Public		
Motion to Adjourn the Open Session	Madam Chair, I move that the Committee close the meeting. Motion made by: Dr. Justin Ortique Seconded by: Dr Tayiana Reed	
	Roll Call Vote:	
	Dr. Justin Ortique in favor of the motion	
	Dr. Vito R. DelVento in favor of the motion	
	Dr. Sharon Hunt in favor of the motion	
	Kimberley Heine in favor of the motion	
	Dr. Tayiana Reed in favor of the motion	
	Dr. Careen-Joan Franklin in favor of the motion	
	Motion carried	
	(Roll Call Vote)	

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 11:40 am

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DC Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Updates

Monai Lowe, PharmD, RPh | April 8, 2025

PDMP Updates

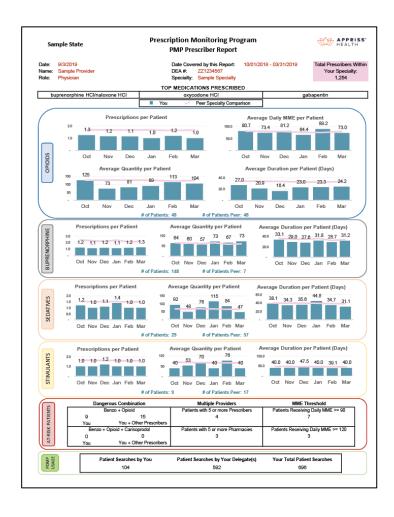
- "No Specialty" Provider Notice/Prescriber Reports
- Gateway Integration
- Interstate Data Sharing
- Continuing Education trainings
- Findings and Recommendations





Prescriber Reports

- Prescriber Reports provide a summary of practitioners' prescribing of covered substances* over a 6month period and present an opportunity for selfanalysis as it relates to their prescribing of controlled substances
- Reports are sent quarterly
- Notice to >190 providers was sent on 1/31/2025 to register a "Provider Specialty" to enable receiving Prescriber Reports

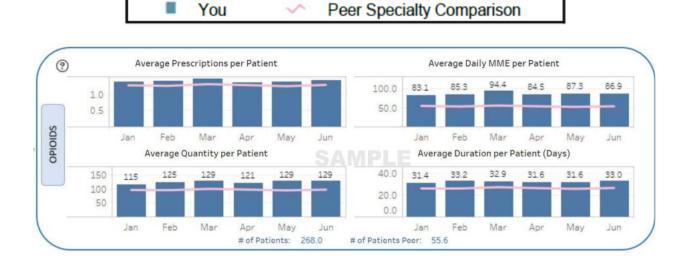




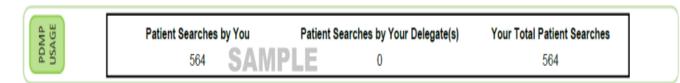


Benefits of Prescriber Reports

- Provide prescribing patterns for opioids, buprenorphine, sedatives, and stimulants, along with peer comparisons.
- Identify patients at potentially elevated risk due to overlapping therapies, multiple providers, and higher MME thresholds.
- Indicate patient search activity, including searches performed by authorized delegate(s) made on the prescribers' behalf.



S	Dangerous Combination		Multiple Providers	MME Threshold
_	Benzo + Opioid		Patients with 5 or more Prescribers	Patients Receiving Daily MME >= 90
TIEN	12	85	25	83
RISK PA	You	You + Other Prescribers	SAMPLE	
	Benzo + Opioid + Carisoprodol		Patients with 5 or more Pharmacies	Patients Receiving Daily MME >= 120
T-R	0	0	40	66
4	You	You + Other Prescribers		





Gateway Integration

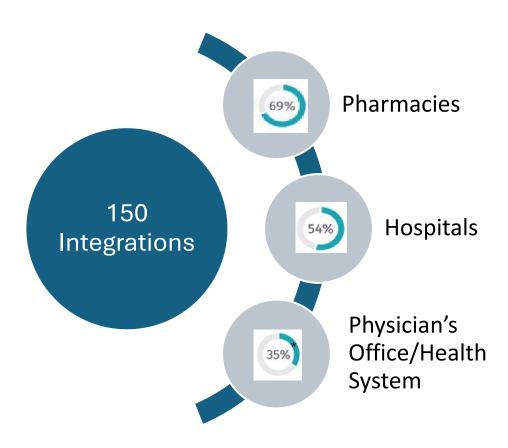
- Streamlines communication and data transfer
- Providers and dispensers can access PDMP through their EHR or Pharmacy System
- Enhances clinical workflows by eliminating extra login step
- Integration fees covered by DC Health







Gateway Integration



- Total Requests: 257
- In Production: 150 (个12)
- Awaiting PMPi Approval: 8
- Credentials Sent: 50
- Pending Documents: 44
- On Hold: 5

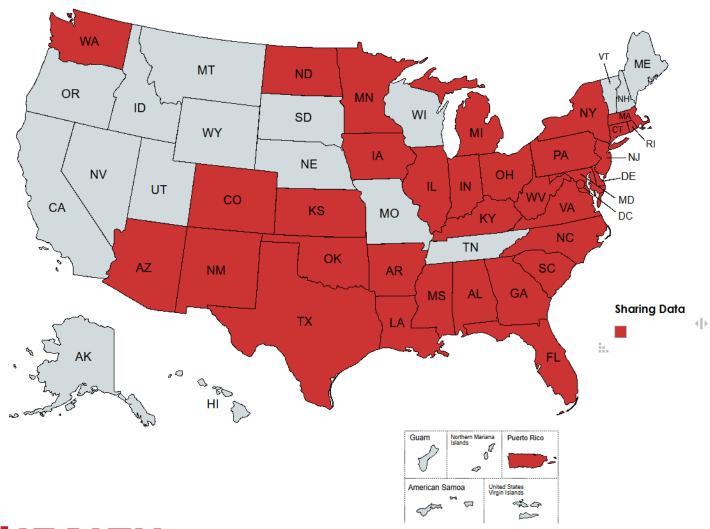


Interstate Data Sharing

- The DC PDMP continues to work with the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to provide information about dispensations from other states and territories
- The District of Columbia shares its PDMP data with 33 states, Puerto Rico and Military Health System
- PDMP administrators are able to enter into data-sharing agreements with other jurisdictions in order to allow users to see information about dispensations from other states and territories
- DC PDMP most recently connected with Oklahoma
- Program staff will continue to engage with partners from other jurisdictions to expand data sharing agreements in 2025



Interstate Data Sharing



Continuing Education

 DC PDMP has partnered with Howard University and DACS to offer a Continuing Education training for pharmacists and providers

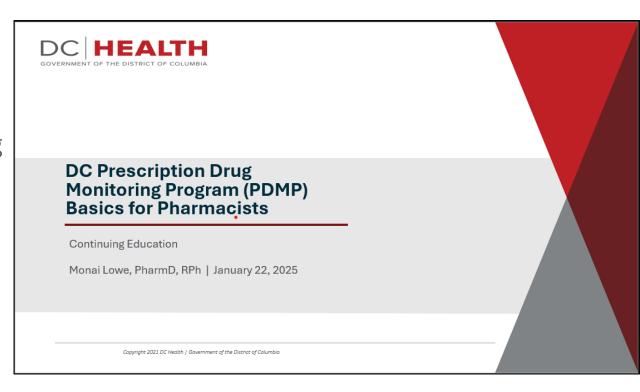
- CE training will provide dispensers and prescribers with PDMP registration instructions and benefits of using DC PDMP
- After completing the training, participants will have a better understanding of PDMP report data, graphs and risk scores





Continuing Education

- The first live webinar training was entitled "DC Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Basics for Pharmacists" and was held on January 22, 2025
- The target audience for the training was Pharmacists and Pharmacy technicians
- The next training will be held on April 23, 2025 and titled "DC Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Basics for Providers"
- Training focused on PDMP education for Law Enforcement is schedule for Summer 2025





Findings

- Prescribers register as a requirement for initial licensing or renewal but may not access the database as required by law
- Many prescribers are not aware of the mandatory requirements to query the database and would benefit from formal PDMP training
- Prescribers can successfully prescribe without querying the database, leading to potential increased patient harm
- There is no method currently in place to monitor prescriber access history





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