



Patient Advisory Notice: What you need to know about the new Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

Starting June 1, 2011, the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program will help your pharmacist and health care provider give you better care in managing your prescriptions. They will have more complete information to promote the appropriate use of certain medications, called controlled medications.*

Tell me more about this new program

The program was started to help people work with their health care providers and pharmacists to know what medications are best for them. The Oregon Public Health Division, by state law, oversees this program. The law requires pharmacies to report most controlled medications dispensed to patients. Pharmacies send this information to the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). Unauthorized people cannot access your personal prescription records.

- * Controlled medications are drugs that state or federal law does not allow to be sold or used, except with a prescription. PDMP only collects data for Schedule II through IV controlled medications. For more information, talk to your health care provider.

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Your patient rights

Right to privacy and confidentiality

Your and other individuals' health information in the new monitoring program is protected by the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and other regulations. The HIPAA privacy rule protects the privacy of individuals' health information. Law enforcement can only obtain a copy of a patient's PDMP record with a court order.

Right to request a copy of a report

You may request a report of your personal health information by calling or e-mailing the program. After the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program receives your request, you will receive a response within 10 business days.

Right to request corrections

You may request that the program correct any incorrect information about you that is in the database.

Right to appeal

You may appeal if the program denies your request to correct any of the above information, or fails to grant your request to correct information within 10 business days after receiving the request.

Right to report suspected unauthorized access

You may send written notification to the Oregon Health Authority if you believe PDMP has accessed your information without proper authorization.

Personal information destroyed after three years

Your health care providers can only see three years of your prescription history.

Program contact information

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