Delaware Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Data Utilization

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Background

• PMP statute signed 7/15/2010
• Data collection began 3/1/2012, retroactive to 9/1/2011.
• RxSentry went live for use June 2012.
• Migrated to PMP Aware with Narxcare 11/7/2017.
Agency Structure
Data sharing prior to SB 206

- Specific licensed practitioners
- Individual requesting self report
- Representative of Board or Commission
- Local, State, or Federal Law Enforcement
- Medical Examiners
- PMP Advisory Committee
- DOFRC

*List not all inclusive
• PMP Advisory Committee
  – Comprised of 7 members
  – Provides input, advice, and guidance to the Office of Controlled Substances
  – Responsible for developing criteria for identifying those in need of referral for investigation due to apparent outlier behavior or trends
  – Has identified multiple targets of investigation which have led to disciplinary action and/or prosecution
Addiction Action Committee (formerly Prescription Drug Action Committee)

– The purpose of the Committee is to:
  • Develop and monitor a coordinated and comprehensive approach to Delaware's addiction epidemic.
  • Recommend and encourage comprehensive prevention, treatment, surveillance, and monitoring strategies to evaluate and curtail the addiction epidemic in Delaware.
  • Promote quality and accessible pain management for Delawareans.
Data sharing after SB 206

*List not all inclusive
• SB 206
  — Disclosure of protected health information.
  • Disclosure without informed consent. — Protected health information may be disclosed without the informed consent of the individual who is the subject of the information where such disclosures are made:
    — To the Drug Overdose Fatality Review Commission.
    — To the Prescription Monitoring Program.
• SB 206
  – The PMP shall be used for the following purposes:
    • Assist the State Epidemiologist in public health surveillance for the purpose of reducing the burden of disease around substance use disorder.

  – The Office of Controlled Substances shall provide data in the PMP in the form of a report to the Office of the State Epidemiologist in the Division of Public Health, for the purpose of reviewing and analyzing public health surveillance data related to drug overdoses.
SB 206

— The Delaware Prescription Monitoring Program Definitions. —

• “Public health surveillance” means the continuous, systematic collection, analysis, and interpretation of health-related data needed for the planning, implementation, and evaluation of public health practice. Public health surveillance may be used for all of the following purposes:
  — An early warning system for impending public health emergencies.
  — To document the impact of an intervention.
  — To track progress towards specified goals.
  — Monitor and clarify the epidemiology of health problems.
  — Establish public health priorities.
  — Inform public health policy and strategies.
• SB 206

– The Office of Controlled Substances may provide data in the prescription monitoring program in the form of a report to the following persons:
  • The PMP Advisory Committee, Addiction Action Committee, and the identified prescriber and dispenser information. Information provided is not public record.
• SB 206
  – The Director of the Division of Public Health shall have the authority to promulgate rules, in consultation with the Delaware Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and the Director of the Division of Professional Regulation, to combine emergency medical services data and emergency department data about non-fatal overdoses with data from the Prescription Monitoring Program database.
• PMP has become an important resource in guiding policy
  – Prescribing patterns and aggregate data provided to:
    • Delaware Substance Use Disorder Working Group
    • State policy makers
  – Identifiable prescriber information may be provided to:
    • PMP Advisory Committee
    • Addiction Action Committee Subcommittees
• Delaware Substance Use Disorder Working Group
  – Formed to create a coordinated and comprehensive approach to prevent, identify, effectively treat, and support those impacted by SUD.
  – Responsible for strategically planning, aligning, and implementing efforts across state government agencies.
  – Has members from:
    • Multiple state and federal agencies
    • Elected officials
    • Policy makers
    • Subject matter experts
• State policy makers
  – Work together with PMP to guide changes in policy to help fight the opioid epidemic.
  – Identify trends and patterns in controlled substance prescribing
  – Use data in meaningful way to impact change
State policy makers
  – Analysis of PMP conducted at the request of State legislators
    • HB 250 introduced 6/20/2017
    • HB 358 introduced 3/28/18
      – Both bills proposed opioids taxes based upon purchase price. Both were withdrawn for consideration.
    • SB 176 was introduced 4/25/18
      – Introduced to assess a fee on manufacturers of opioids based on adjusted strength. Withdrawn before reaching the floor.
Delaware Behavioral Health Consortium

– An advisory body comprised of:
  • State leaders
  • Healthcare professionals
  • Law enforcement
  • Community advocates

Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long,
Committee Chair
• Delaware Behavioral Health Consortium

  – Purpose

  • Assess and outline plan for action to address prevention, treatment, and recovery for mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders.
  • Develop short and long-term strategies and initiatives to address major addiction and mental health challenges faced in Delaware.
• Overdose System of Care
  – April 2017, Secretary Kara Odom Walker, along with state officials from multiple agencies, providers, and advocates, met with a team from Johns Hopkins.
  – Goal was to create recommendations to strengthen the opioid use disorder treatment system in Delaware.
  – Signed into law 9/10/18.

Dr. Kara Odom Walker,
Secretary of Delaware Health and Social Services
Help Is Here Delaware

- [http://www.helpisherede.com](http://www.helpisherede.com)
- Delaware’s comprehensive patient and healthcare provider resource for prevention, addiction, treatment, and recovery.
• PMP future
  – Integration of non-fatal overdose data into PMP
  – Integration of fatal overdose data into PMP
  – Further EHR integration
  – Public facing portal with PMP statistics
  – Increased interagency operations