

Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Council State of Louisiana

January 12, 2022

MINUTES

A meeting of the Louisiana Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Advisory Council scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at Embassy Suites Hotel, 4914 Constitution Avenue in Baton Rouge, LA 70808, convened at 1:10 p.m. to consider the following:

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Amendments to Council Roster
3. Quorum Call
4. Call for Additional Agenda Items & Adoption of Agenda
5. Consideration of Draft Minutes from Previous Meeting – October 13, 2021
6. Opportunity for Public Comment
7. Review of Program Operations
8. Review of Legislative and Regulatory Activity
9. New Agenda Items Added During Meeting
10. Calendar Notes
11. Adjourn

Advisory Council Representatives/Designees present: Lauren Bailey (Vice Chair of PMP-AC, LSMS) chaired the meeting. Also present were Shelly Esnard (LAPA), Malcom Broussard (LBP), Kenyatta Mizell (DEA), Crystal Carter (LPA), Rachel Smith (LDAA), Dr. Joseph Comaty (LAMP).

Others present: Joe Fontenot, Carlos Finalet, Nerissa Montgomery, and Reshmi Ravindranath, (all LABP). Matt Cross and Grayson Walsh (LIPA). Shelly Dupre (LARP-Louisiana Alliance of Retail Pharmacies’).

Amendments to Council Roster

Mr. Broussard informed members about the passing of Carl W. Aron on January 5, 2022. Mr. Aron had served as the President of the Board of Pharmacy for 25 years. Marty McKay was elected the new President of the Board of Pharmacy during the November 2021 Board meeting. Mr. Broussard reviewed additional amendments to the Council Roster.

Quorum Call

Mr. Broussard called the roll but was unable to establish a quorum as only seven members were present. Eleven members are required by R.S. 40:1055(B) to constitute a quorum. Informational meeting continued but no business could be conducted without the required quorum.

Call for Additional Agenda Items & Adoption of Agenda

No additional agenda items introduced; adoption of agenda postponed to April 13, 2022 meeting.

Consideration of Draft Minutes from October 13, 2021 Meeting

Approval of minutes was delayed until the April 13, 2022 meeting.

Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comments.

Review of Program Operation

Joe Fontenot, Executive Director - Designate, presented statistical information regarding the program to the council.

(Attachment 1).

Mr. Fontenot explained since the PMP's inception in 2008, the PMP program experienced its first increase in the annual number of eligible prescription transactions reported to the PMP. The increase is a direct result of the additional reporting requirement of two drugs of concern (promethazine in oral liquid formulations and gabapentin containing products) as of January 20, 2021. There is a continued downward trend in the number of opioid and controlled dangerous substance prescription dispensations to Louisiana patients. Hydrocodone bitartrate/acetaminophen remains the number one

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controlled substance prescription dispensed to Louisiana patients since the PMP program began in 2008. Mr. Fontenot noted the therapeutic marijuana recommendations have significantly increased since 2019. The North Shore area is identified as having the greatest concentration of therapeutic marijuana patients. Mr. Fontenot reported that both the AWARxE© and Gateway© searches have increased significantly since 2016 with the greatest increase of searches via the PMP integration component, Gateway©. The LDH - Office of Public Health - Bureau of Community Preparedness grant which currently pays for the Gateway© integration fees will expire in April of 2022. The LDH is working to obtain additional funding for the upcoming year. Mr. Fontenot reported that the amount of law enforcement, prosecutorial officials, and specialty court PMP requests have staggered throughout the years with the 2021 requests culminating with the lowest number of requests to date.

Review of Legislative and Regulatory Activity

Mr. Broussard reviewed legislative and regulatory proposals which can be located under the Public Library, Rulemaking Activity portion of the Board of Pharmacy website.

New Agenda Items Added During Meeting

No new agenda items added.

Calendar Notes

The Vice-Chair, Lauren Bailey, stated in accordance with the council's current preference for meeting dates, the meeting dates for the calendar year of 2022 will be April 13, July 13, and October 12.

Adjournment

With no business conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Nerissa Montgomery and Reshmi Ravindranath, then approved as presented during subsequent Council meeting on April 13, 2022.



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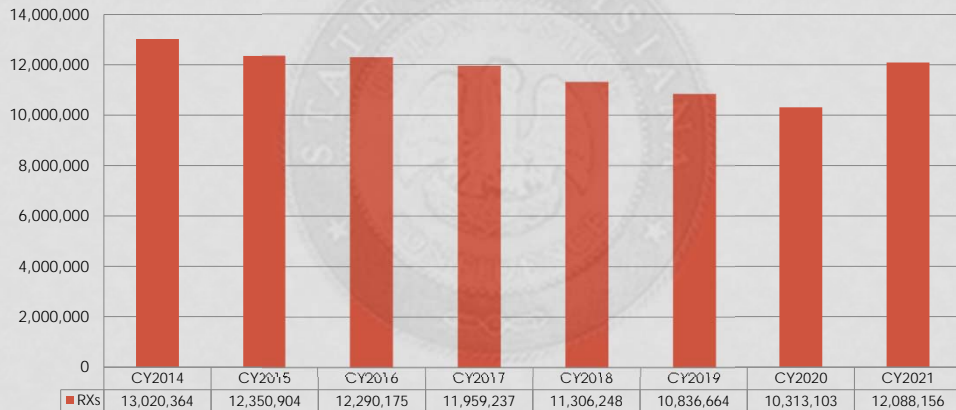
PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM (PMP)

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING - JANUARY 12, 2022

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Number of Eligible Prescription Transactions Reported to the PMP

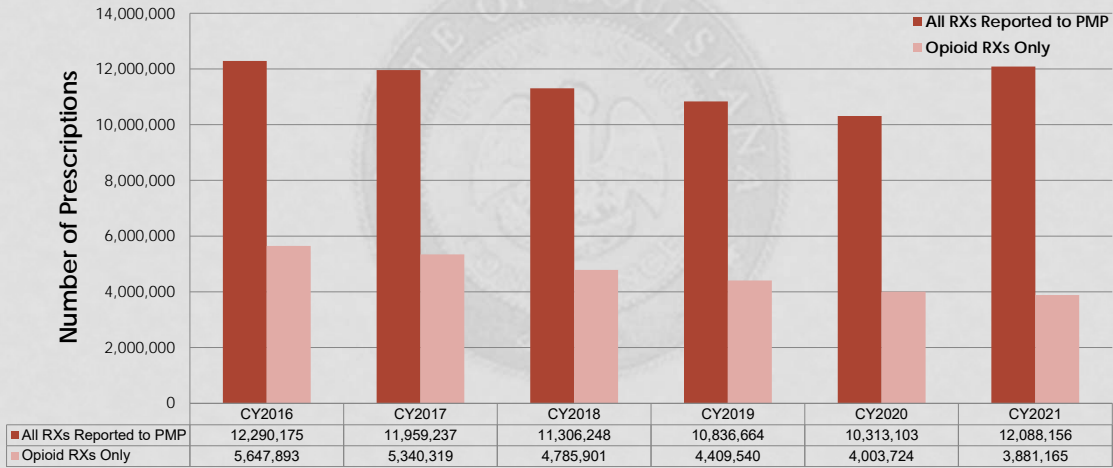
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PMP Reporting Comparisons - Opioids

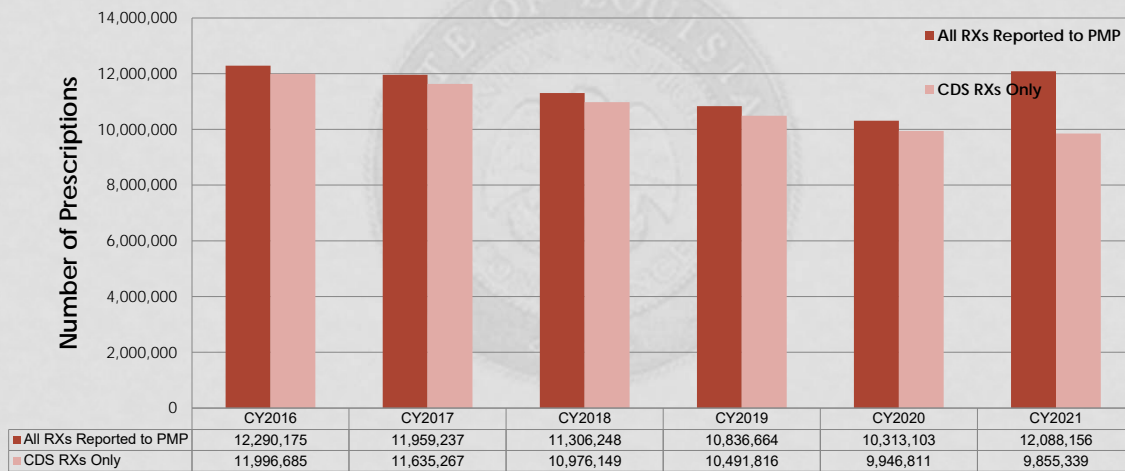
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PMP Reporting Comparisons - CDS

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2021 Top 10 Controlled Substance Prescriptions Dispensed to Louisiana Patients by Generic Drug Name

| <i>Generic Name</i> | <i>Prescription Count</i> | <i>Number of Dosage Units</i> |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| hydrocodone bitartrate/acetaminophen | 1,590,184 | 81,424,527 |
| dextroamphetamine sulf-saccharate/amphetamine sulf-aspartate | 1,164,145 | 52,841,147 |
| alprazolam | 922,998 | 47,972,308 |
| tramadol HCl | 662,184 | 35,132,423 |
| oxycodone HCl/acetaminophen | 567,422 | 33,961,623 |
| zolpidem tartrate | 558,429 | 17,549,571 |
| clonazepam | 554,311 | 28,501,915 |
| lisdexamfetamine dimesylate | 439,393 | 13,288,293 |
| lorazepam | 308,263 | 12,997,851 |
| methylphenidate HCl | 262,056 | 11,616,445 |

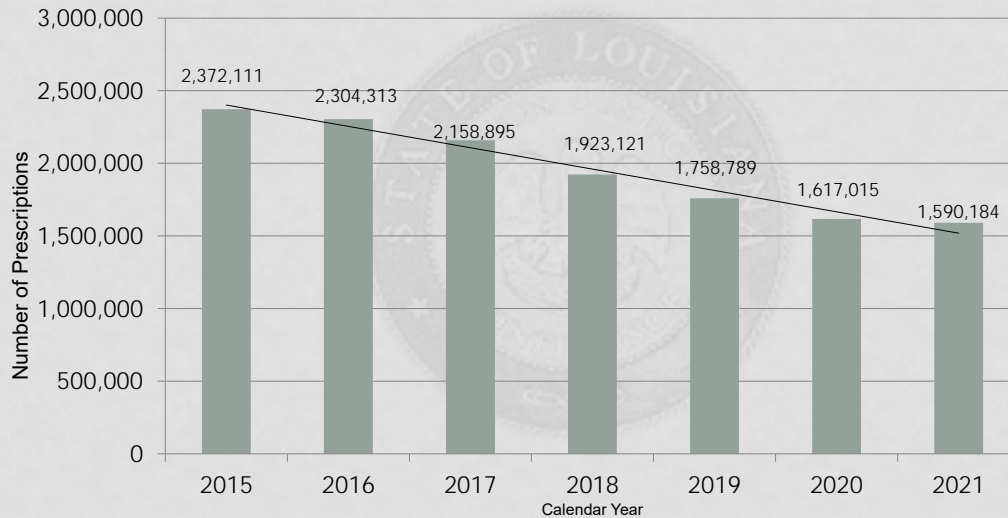
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2021 Top 10 Controlled Substance Prescriptions Dispensed to Louisiana Patients by Drug Label Name

| <i>Label Name</i> | <i>Prescription Count</i> | <i>Number of Dosage Units</i> |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| HYDROCODONE-ACETAMINOPHEN 10-325 MG TABLET | 718,848 | 49,391,426 |
| TRAMADOL HCL 50 MG TABLET | 648,358 | 34,667,455 |
| HYDROCODONE-ACETAMINOPHEN 5-325 MG TABLET | 451,349 | 11,598,194 |
| ZOLPIDEM TARTRATE 10 MG TABLET | 401,032 | 12,604,980 |
| HYDROCODONE-ACETAMINOPHEN 7.5-325 MG TABLET | 394,204 | 15,342,767 |
| ALPRAZOLAM 0.5 MG TABLET | 385,270 | 19,224,018 |
| DEXTROAMP-AMPHETAMIN 30 MG TAB | 287,100 | 15,717,245 |
| ALPRAZOLAM 1 MG TABLET | 282,486 | 16,717,786 |
| DEXTROAMP-AMPHETAMIN 20 MG TAB | 262,876 | 14,762,201 |
| CLONAZEPAM 0.5 MG TABLET | 254,731 | 12,186,802 |

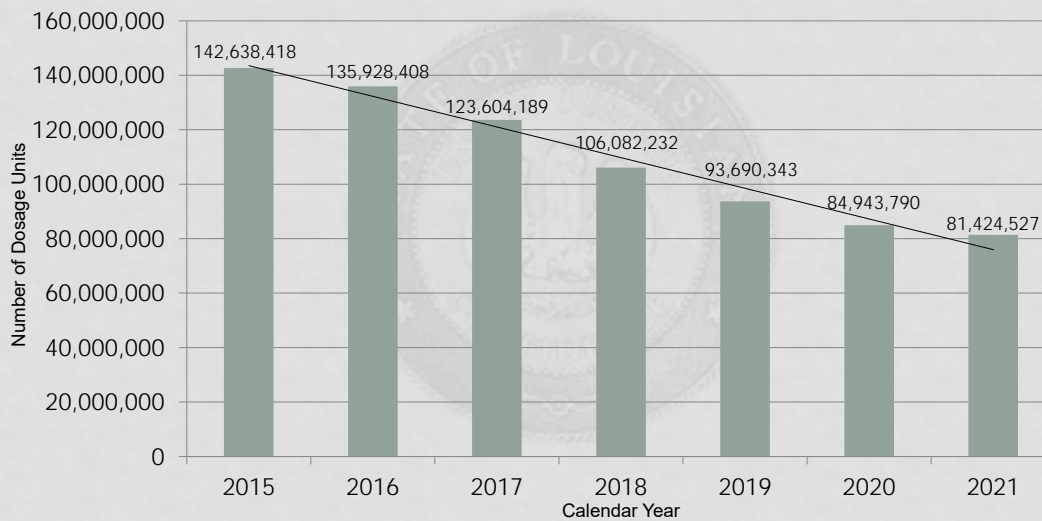
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Hydrocodone /APAP Dispensing by Number of Prescriptions to Louisiana Residents



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Hydrocodone /APAP Dispensing by Number of Dosage Units to Louisiana Residents



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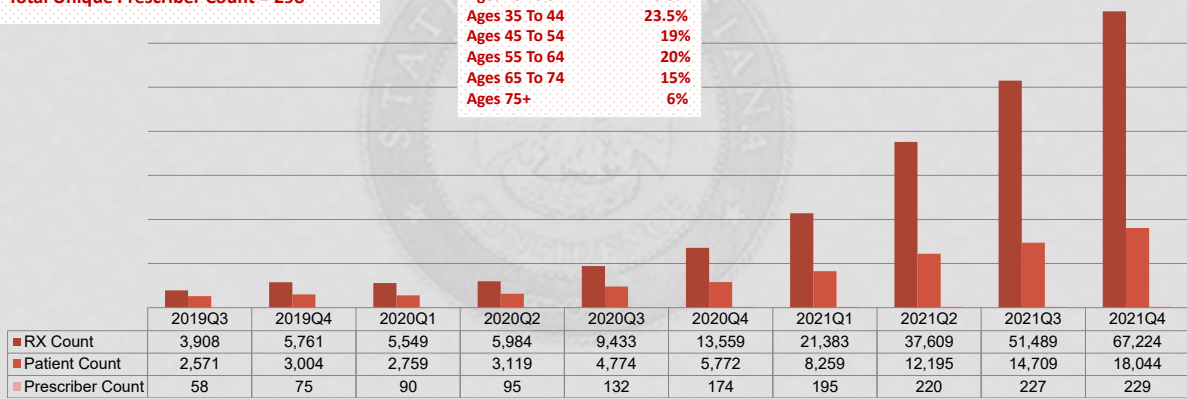
Louisiana Therapeutic Marijuana (TM) Dispensing

Reporting 08/2019 through 12/31/2021

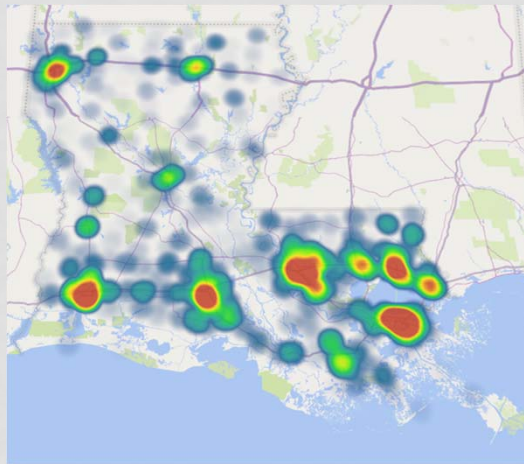
Total Prescription Count = 221,899
 Total Unique Patient Count = 35,346
 Total Unique Prescriber Count = 298

Patient Count Percentage
 by Age Band

Ages 1 To 17 0.4%
 Ages 18 To 24 2.6%
 Ages 25 To 34 13.5%
 Ages 35 To 44 23.5%
 Ages 45 To 54 19%
 Ages 55 To 64 20%
 Ages 65 To 74 15%
 Ages 75+ 6%



Heat Map Based on TM Patient Count by Patient Postal Code



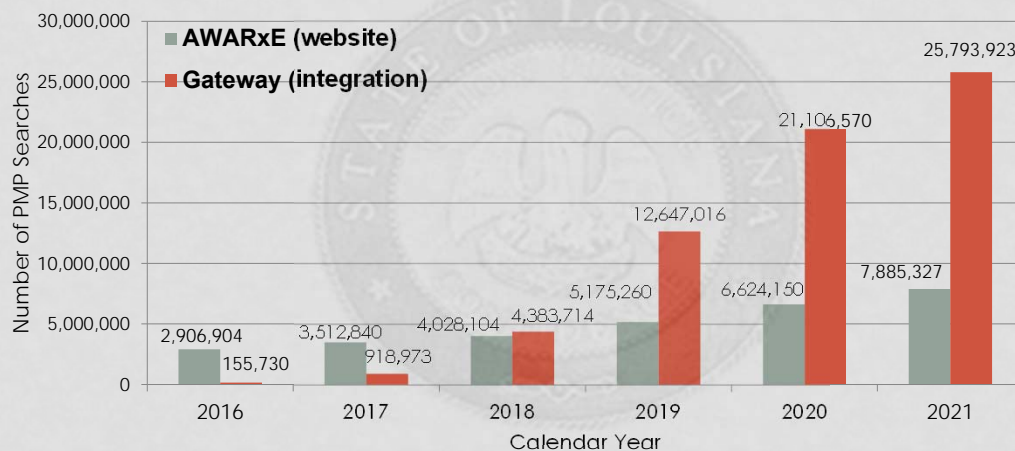
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PMP User Stats for 2021Q4 (10/01/2021 - 12/31/2021)

| PMP Healthcare Provider Role | Number of Providers Eligible for PMP Access (as of 12/31/2021) | Number of Providers with Active PMP Access Privileges (as of 12/31/2021) | Number of PMP Requests by Providers through AWAxR [®] During 2021Q4 | Number of PMP Requests by Providers through Gateway [®] During 2021Q4 |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Physician (MD, DO) | 13,471 | 9,045 | 479,812 | 4,016,643 |
| Nurse Practitioner (APRN) | 4,464 | 3,519 | 192,590 | 456,149 |
| Dentist (DDS) | 2,265 | 1,509 | 5,728 | 973 |
| Physician Assistant (PA) | 1,171 | 918 | 35,279 | 56,423 |
| Optometrist (OD) | 371 | 160 | 2 | 0 |
| Podiatrist (DPM) | 165 | 117 | 1,533 | 0 |
| Medical Psychologist (MP) | 96 | 91 | 8,658 | 6,096 |
| Medical Intern/Resident | 1,590 | 1,400 | 16,660 | 3,560 |
| Prescriber's Delegate | NA | 3,381 | 182,257 | 0 |
| Pharmacist (PST) | 9,549 | 4,928 | 951,025 | 2,014,698 |
| Pharmacist's Delegate | NA | 1,509 | 118,721 | 0 |
| Totals | 33,142 | 26,577 | 1,992,265 | 6,554,542 |

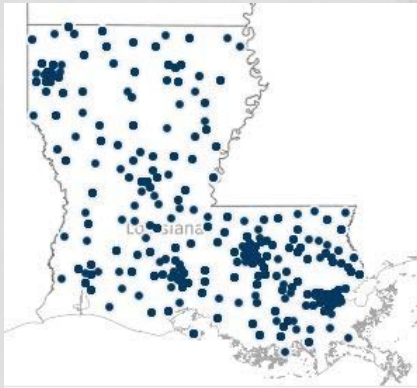
Louisiana Prescriber & Pharmacist Searches through AWAxR[®] and Gateway[®]

(Ending 12/31/2021)



PMP Statewide Integration Project through Gateway®

As of January 1, 2022, the Louisiana PMP is interoperable with 348 licensees (EHRs and pharmacy management systems) across the state. The 348 licensees represent more than 2,300 facilities in Louisiana and are responsible for 2,292,966 PMP requests in the month of December.



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PMP Interstate Data Sharing through PMP InterConnect®

As of December 31, 2021, the Louisiana PMP is sharing with 35 PMPs (1 federal district, 1 territory, 1 federal jurisdiction, and 32 states).

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|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Alabama | Alaska | Arizona | Arkansas |
| Colorado | Connecticut | Delaware | D.C. |
| MHS-DOD | Florida | Georgia | Idaho |
| Indiana | Iowa | Kansas | Maine |
| Massachusetts | Michigan | Minnesota | Mississippi |
| Montana | Nevada | New Mexico | North Carolina |
| North Dakota | Oklahoma | Pennsylvania | Puerto Rico |
| Rhode Island | South Carolina | South Dakota | Tennessee |
| Texas | Virginia | West Virginia. | |

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Law Enforcement, Prosecutorial Officials, and Specialty Court PMP Requests

