Alabama

PDMP acronym: Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
Region: South
Agency Responsible: Alabama Department of Public Health
Agency Type: Department of Health
Website: http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/PDMP
Email: pdmp@adph.state.al.us
Register Website: https://alabama.pmpaware.net
Query Website: https://alabama.pmpaware.net
Data Upload Website: https://pmpclearinghouse.net
Statistics Website:
Opioid Dashboard Website:
Training Website: http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/pdmp/database-instruction-manuals.html
Statute/Regulation Website: http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/PDMP
Opioid Guidelines Website: https://www.albme.org/csfaq.html

PDMP Contact Information

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State Populations and Number of Registrants

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<td>5,030,053</td>
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## Data Transmitter(s)

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## Substances Monitored

| Drugs of Concern               | Schedules II - V                  |

## Alternate Data Sources

## Available Reports

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<th>Dispenser Reports to Law Enforcement</th>
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Statistical Capabilities

☑ # of Prescription Filled
☑ # of Prescriptions Filled by CS Schedule
☑ # of Prescriptions Filled by Drug Class
☑ Statistics Filtered by Age or Age Range
☐ Statistics Filtered by Ethnicity or Race
☑ # of Authorized PDMP Users Enrolled
☑ # of Registrants in SDTC
☑ # of Registrants in SDTC by Practice/License Type
☐ # of Data Errors by Error Type
☐ # of Data Errors Corrected
☐ # of At-Risk Patients by Risk Factor
☐ Risk Factor Statistics by Time Frame

☑ # of Solicited Prescriber Reports
☑ # of Solicited Prescriber Reports by Requestor Type
☑ # of Unsolicited Prescriber Reports
☑ # of Unsolicited Prescriber Reports by Recipient Type
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☑ # of Dosage Units Dispensed
☑ # of Dosage Units Dispensed by CS Schedule
☑ # of Dosage Units Dispensed by Drug Class
☑ Statistics Filtered by Gender Identification
☑ Statistics Filtered by Geographic Location
☑ # of Prescribers Enrolled in PDMP by License Type
☑ # of Dispensers Enrolled in PDMP by License Type
☐ # of Prescribers Enrolled in PDMP by Specialty
☑ # of Unique Prescribers
☑ # of In-State Queries
☑ # of In-State Queries by Requestor Type
☑ # of Interstate Queries
☑ # of Interstate Queries by Requestor Type
☐ # of Positive Matches from Interstate Queries
☑ # of Solicited Statistical Reports by Requestor Type
☑ # of Unsolicited Statistical Reports by Recipient Type
☑ # of Unique Requestors for Solicited Reports
☑ # of Unique Requestors by Requestor Type (sol. reports)
☑ # of Unique Requestors for Unsolicited Reports
☑ # of Unique Recipients by Recipient Type (unsol. reports)

% Out-of-State Patients: 5-10%
% Out-of-State Prescribers: 5-10%

Data Analysis Resources Available:
Epidemiologist
Authorized PDMP Users

Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited In-State
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited Out-of-State
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Unsolicited In-State
Law Enforcement - Federal/Solicited In-State
Law Enforcement - Local/Solicited In-State
Law Enforcement - State/Solicited In-State
Medicaid Drug Utilization and Review/Solicited In-State
Medicaid Fraud and Abuse/Solicited In-State
Medical Residents/Solicited In-State
Medical Residents/Unsolicited In-State
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Prescriber Delegates - Licensed/Solicited In-State
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Prescribers/Solicited In-State
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Prescribers/Unsolicited In-State
Regulatory and Licensing Boards/Solicited In-State
State Health Departments/Solicited In-State
Engaged PDMP Users

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# Budget

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## Funding Source(s)

- CDC Grant
- State General Fund
- Controlled Substance Registration Fee

## Technologies

- **Data Collection Entity:** Vendor
- **Data Collection Vendor name:** Bamboo Health
- **Data Storage Entity:** Vendor
- **Data Storage Vendor name:** Bamboo Health
- **Report Generation Entity:** Vendor
- **Report Generation Vendor name:** Bamboo Health
- **Data Access Method:** Web Portal/On-Line
- **Data Access Entity:** Vendor
- **Data Access Vendor name:** Bamboo Health

- **ASAP Version Utilized:** 4.1
- **State HIE in place**
- **RxCheck Integration Allowed**
- **VHA VISTA integration**
- **HL7 FHIR connectivity**

## Patient Matching

- Referential Matching
- Deterministic Matching
- Manual Matching
- Probablistic Matching
- Probablistic and Manual Matching

- Access to patient matching algorithms
- Patient Matching Metrics Available:
- Patient matching data elements:

## Integration(s) Available

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PDMP Policies

Enabling legislation enacted: 2005
PDMP operational: 2006
User access date (any method): 2007
User electronic access date: 2007
Date received electronic data: 2006
Interstate sharing start date: 2012

Data collection frequency: Daily or next business day
Requirement for zero-reporting
Frequency of zero-reporting: Daily

Law/Statute citation: AL Code §§20-2-210 to 220; §20-2-91
Regulation/Rule citation: AL Admin Code 420-7-2-.11 to .13; 540-X-4-.04; 540-X-12-.16; 930-X-1-.11 to .13
Dr Shopper law/statute: AL Code § 13A-12-320

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Pill Mill law/statute:
Pain Clinic law/statute: AL Code §§ 34-24-600 to 610

Unauthorized Use or Disclosure: AL Code §20-2-216

- Required Notification to consumers
- Mandated Use of Advisory Group
- Payment method captured
- Ability to id prescriber specialty
- Patient consent required before PDMP data release
- Ability for users to set thresholds for alert notices
- Ability for users to do user-led alert notices
- Mandatory E-Prescribing (EPCS)
- Compliance Process for Enrollment Mandates
- Compliance Process for Query Mandate
- ICD-10 Codes Collected
- Deceased Patient Field
- Patient ID Required to be Presented to Dispenser
- Ability to de-id data
- Data Retention Policy
  - Data Retention Time: 5 years plus current year
  - All Information Purged
  - Patient Information Purged
  - Prescriber Information Purged
  - Dispenser Information Purged
  - Drug Information Purged
  - HIPAA Covered Entity
- Identifiable Data to State Health Dept
- Identifiable Data to local Health Dept
- Certified as CMS Specialized Registry
- PDMP Disaster Recovery Plan

ID Types Reported: Patient
  - Person Dropping Off Prescription
  - Person Picking Up Prescription

- Authority to release de-id data
- De-identified data sharing conditions:

De-Identified Data Retention Details:
- Retain De-Identified Data

Record Retention Details:
- Patient Notification of Breach
- Written Notification of Breach

Patient Breach Notification Method:
Patient Breach Notification Method Other:

E-prescribing required substances:
E-prescribing exemptions/waivers:

Authority to enforce PDMP mandates: Regulatory/Licensing Board
Enrollment and Accounts

☑ Superviser Review/audit of Delegate Accounts  Number of Delegates allows: 2
☑ Auto Enroll with License Renewal or App

Enrollment Method:
Application process is online. Physicians with matching criteria are automatically approved. Others are approved upon verification of license and other required criteria

Practitioner IDs for PDMP Account:
DEA controlled substance registration number; Licensing Board number; National Provider Identifier; State controlled substance registration number

2 Factor Authentication:
2 factor authentication not offered

Criteria for Dispensers to get account to upload data
Licensed to dispense controlled substances in Alabama

Criteria for Prescriber delegates to get account:
Minimum criteria for prescriber delegates to obtain PDMP account

Criteria for Dispenser delegates to get account:
Minimum criteria for dispenser delegates to obtain PDMP account

Criteria for PAs to get account:
Authorized to prescribe, administer, or dispense pursuant to a Qualified Alabama Controlled Substances Registration Certificate.

Criteria for Nurse Practitioners to get account:
Authorized to prescribe, administer, or dispense pursuant to a Qualified Alabama Controlled Substances Registration Certificate.

Criteria for other users to get account:
Licensed certified nurse midwife: Authorized to prescribe, administer, or dispense pursuant to a Qualified Alabama Controlled Substances Registration Certificate. Authorized Medicaid representatives.

Requirements for Patients to get PDMP Report:
Requirements for others to get PDMP Report

Criteria for Online Non-healthcare accounts:
Licensing/regulatory Board investigators, law enforcement investigators (federal, state, local)

PDMP Data for Epidemiological Purposes: Authority to Release

☑ Law Enforcement On-line access to PDMP  □ Law Enforcement Written Request access to PDMP

Law Enforcement Access Method:
Active Investigation
Enrollment Mandates

Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Enrollment

Effective Date(s): March 24, 2010 (regulation); May 8, 2013 (statute)

Details:
Before renewing an Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate, the applicant shall have a current registration to access the Controlled Substances Prescription Database established and maintained by the Alabama Department of Public Health; medical director of pain management clinic

Use Mandates

Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Use

Effective Date(s): March 9, 2017; April, 30, 2020

Details:
Licensees of the Board of Medical Examiners must check the PDMP twice a year if the MME is greater than 30. If MME is greater than 90, the PDMP must be checked with every prescription. Exemptions to the query requirements: (1) nursing home patients; (2) hospice patients, where the prescription indicates hospice on the physical prescription; (3) when treating a patient for active, malignant pain; or (4) intra-operative patient care. For the purpose of preventing controlled substance diversion, abuse, misuse, addiction, and doctor-shopping, the Board of Podiatry sets forth the following requirements for the use of Alabama’s Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP): (a) For the controlled substance prescriptions totaling 30 MME or less per day, podiatrists are expected to use the PDMP in the manner consistent with good clinical practice. (b) When prescribing a patient, controlled substances of more than 30 MME per day, podiatrists shall review that patient’s prescribing history through the PDMP at least two (2) times per year, and each podiatrist is responsible for documenting the use of risk and abuse mitigation strategies in the patient’s medical record. (c) Podiatrists shall query the PDMP to review a patient’s prescribing history every time a prescription for more than 90 MME per day is written, on the same day the prescription is written.
## PDMP Queries

- **Ability to search for multiple patients in one query**: ✔️
- **Patient Query Date Range**: >3 years
- **Minimum data elements to query for healthcare user**: Last name, first name, date of birth
- **Query by partial data elements by healthcare user**: minimum 3 characters in name
- **Optional data elements to query by healthcare user**: Date of birth range of 6 months, 1 year, or 2 years, gender, statewide or county, social security number, driver license number, up to three alias names, up to three addresses
- **Minimum data elements to query for non-healthcare user**: Last name, first name, date of birth
- **Query by partial data elements by non-healthcare user**: minimum 3 characters in name
- **Optional data elements to query by non-healthcare user**: Date of birth range of 6 months, 1 year, or 2 years, gender, statewide or county, social security number, driver license number, up to three alias names, up to three addresses

## Unsolicited Reports/Push Notifications

- **Frequency unsolicited alerts/reports generated**: Monthly
- **Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports**: Mailed out
- **Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports - LE**:
- **Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports - Boards**: ✔️
- **Unsolicited alerts/reports to practitioners not enrolled in PDMP**
Veterinary Policies

Data transmission frequency for Veterinarians: N/A

Criteria for veterinarian queries: Animal Owner's name

☑ Veterinarian access to owner's prescription history

☑ Reporting Specifications

☑ Reporting Method:

☑ Reporting Specifications:

☑ Data Fields:

☑ Reporting Description:

☑ Reporting Mandate Compliance

☑ Reporting Compliance Details:

☑ Reporting Mandate Actions:

☑ Reporting Issues:

☑ Reporting Misc Information:

☑ Enrollment Mandate Compliance

☑ Enrollment Description:

☑ Enrollment Mandate Compliance Details:

☑ Enrollment Mandate Criteria:

☑ Query Mandate Compliance

☑ Query Description:

☑ Query Mandate Compliance Details:

☑ Query Mandate Criteria:

Veterinarians cannot access PDMP data but can voluntarily report to the PDMP.

Veterinarians are not permitted by statute/rule/policy to query.
## PDMP Effectiveness Measures

### Substance Use Disorder Activities

#### Tools or Resources
- [x] MAT Services
- [ ] MOUD Services
- [x] Harm Reduction Strategies
- [ ] Mental Health Assistance Services
- [ ] Employee Assistance Programs
- [ ] Housing Assistance Programs
- [ ] Re-Entry Programs

#### Surveillance Activities
- [x] Emergency Department Data
- [x] Medical Examiner/Coroner Data

**Data Sources for Surveillance Activities:**

#### Initiated Actions
- [x] Resources to Affected Areas
- [x] Directed Training on Prescribing
- [ ] Prescription Drug Tool Kits
- [x] Risk Evaluation/Analysis on PDMP Reports
- [ ] Referrals to SUD Organizations
- [ ] Referrals to OFR Teams

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**Other:**

**Other Actions:**