### California

**PDMP acronym:** CURES  
**Agency Responsible:** California Department of Justice  
**Agency Type:** Law Enforcement Agency  
**Website:** [http://oag.ca.gov/cures](http://oag.ca.gov/cures)  
**Email:** cures@doj.ca.gov  
**Register Website:** [http://oag.ca.gov/cures](http://oag.ca.gov/cures)  
**Query Website:** [https://cures.doj.ca.gov](https://cures.doj.ca.gov)  
**Statistics Website:** [https://oag.ca.gov/cures/statistics](https://oag.ca.gov/cures/statistics)  
**Opioid Dashboard Website:** [https://discovery.cdph.ca.gov/CDIC/ODdash/](https://discovery.cdph.ca.gov/CDIC/ODdash/)  
**Training Website:** [http://www.oag.ca.gov/cures/publications](http://www.oag.ca.gov/cures/publications)  
**Statute/Regulation Website:** [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov)  
**Opioid Guidelines Website:**

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#### PDMP Contact Information

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#### State Population and Number of Registrants

| State population: 39,576,757 | DEA Prescriber total: 203,301 | DEA Dispenser total: 6,552 |
Data Transmitter(s)

Dispensing Practitioner  
Pharmacy (In-State)  
Pharmacy (Mail Order Out of State)  

Dispensing Veterinarians  
Pharmacy (Mail Order In-State)  
Veterans Administration

Substances Monitored

Schedules II - V

Alternate Data Sources

Available Reports

Annual PDMP Reports  
Customized Reports by User Type  
Dispenser Reports to Law Enforcement  
Lost/Stolen Prescription Reports  
Patient Query Lists to Law Enforcement  
Patient Query Lists to Patients  
Patient Reports to Law Enforcement  
Patient Reports to Prescribers  
Prescription Drug Combinations  
Statewide Statistics  

Clinical Alerts  
Data Dashboards  
Licensee Reports to Licensing Board  
MME Calculations  
Patient Query Lists to Licensing Boards  
Patient Reports to Dispensers  
Patient Reports to Licensing Boards  
Prescriber Reports to Law Enforcement  
Registrant Query Lists to Licensing Boards
# 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 Unsolicted Prescriber Reports
- # of Unsolicted Prescriber Reports by Recipient Type
- # of Solicited Dispenser Reports
- # of Solicited Dispenser Reports by Requestor Type
- # of Unsolicted Dispenser Reports
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- # of Solicited Patient Reports
- # of Solicited Patient Reports by Requestor Type
- # of Unsolicted Patient Reports
- # of Unsolicted Patient Reports by Recipient Type
- # 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 Unsolicted 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:
% Out-of-State Prescribers:

Data Analysis Resources Available:
Authorized PDMP Users

Dispenser Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited In-State
Dispenser Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited Out-of-State
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited In-State
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited Out-of-State
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Unsolicited In-State
Law Enforcement - Federal/Solicited In-State
Law Enforcement - Federal/Solicited Out-of-State
Law Enforcement - Local/Solicited In-State
Law Enforcement - State/Solicited In-State
Medical Examiners and Coroners/Solicited In-State
Nurse Practitioners/Solicited In-State
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Physician Assistants/Solicited In-State
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Physician Assistants/Unsolicited Out-of-State
Prescriber Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited In-State
Prescriber Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited Out-of-State
Prescribers/Solicited In-State
Prescribers/Solicited Out-of-State
Prescribers/Unsolicited In-State
Prescribers/Unsolicited Out-of-State
Prosecutors/Solicited In-State
Regulatory and Licensing Boards/Solicited In-State
Researchers/Solicited In-State
Engaged PDMP Users

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## Budget

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| # of Employees - Operational: | 12 |
| # of Employees - Technical:   | 5  |
| # of Employees - Analytical:  | 6  |

| # of Employees - Other: | 0 |

## Funding Source(s)

- Licensing Fee

## Technologies

- **Data Collection Entity:** Vendor
- **Data Collection Vendor name:** Atlantic Associates Inc.
- **Data Storage Entity:** In-House
- **Data Storage Vendor name:** In-House
- **Report Generation Entity:** In-House
- **Report Generation Vendor name:** In-House
- **Data Access Method:** Web Portal/On-Line
- **Data Access Entity:** In-House
- **Data Access Vendor name:** In-House

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

## Patient Matching

- **Referential Matching**
- **Deterministic Matching**
- **Manual Matching**
- **Other Matching**
- **Soundex**

- **Exact Matching**
- **Probabilistic Matching**
- **Probabilistic and Manual Matching**

- **Access to patient matching algorithms**

### Patient Matching Metrics Available:

- **Patient last name, Patient address, Patient date of birth**

## Integration(s) Available

### EHR Integration

- **Integration Type:** 10-24% n/a
- **Integration Standards:** 2017071 NCPDP script standard

- **Data Downloaded/Stored**
- **Data Manipulated for Analysis**
- **Data Incorporated with Interstate Data**
- **Multistate Integrations Allowed**

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### Integration Standards:

- 2017071 NCPDP script standard
Interstate Data Sharing Partner(s)
### PDMP Policies

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- [☐] 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
- [☑] Authority to release de-id data

De-identified data sharing conditions: at the discretion of PMP

De-Identified Data Retention Details: De-identified data is retained indefinitely.

- [☑] Retain De-Identified Data

Record Retention Details:

- [☑] Patient Notification of Breach
- [☐] Written Notification of Breach

Patient Breach Notification Method: Other

Patient Breach Notification Method Other: If there is a data breach, the breach is to be reported to the California Department of Justice State Program Contract Manager and the Information Security Office immediately by telephone and email upon the discovery of a security incident and/or breach.

- [☐] E-prescribing required substances:
- [☐] E-prescribing exemptions/waivers:

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

☐ Supervisor Review/audit of Delegate Accounts  Number of Delegates allows:  50

☐ Auto Enroll with License Renewal or App

Enrollment Method:
For California licensed providers, CURES 2.0 provides a strictly electronic, paperless, automated registration for applicants. New registrants must initiate an online registration, and complete an electronic form including their identification, licensure, DEA controlled substance registration number; Licensing Board number; National Provider Identifier;

2 Factor Authentication:
2 factor authentication not offered

Criteria for Dispensers to get account to upload data
State licensure and DEA Registration.

Criteria for Prescriber delegates to get account:
Delegate's sponsor electronically initiates creation of the delegate account by providing delegate name, email address, and acknowledgement of CURES terms and conditions of use.

Criteria for Dispenser delegates to get account:
Criteria for PAs to get account:
PA License, valid DEA registration certificate.

Criteria for Nurse Practitioners to get account:
NP License, valid DEA registration certificate.

Criteria for other users to get account:
State professional licensure (as a Dentist, Naturopathic Doctor, Optometrist, Osteopathic Doctor, Podiatrist, or Veterinarian) and DEA Registration.

Requirements for Patients to get PDMP Report:
A completed, notarized "Information Practices Act Individual Request Form".

Requirements for others to get PDMP Report
Criteria for Online Non-healthcare accounts:
Licensing/regulatory Board investigators, Law Enforcement investigators (federal, state, and local), Medical Examiners/coroners

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:
Law Enforcement Access Requirements:  Court Order/Approval
Subpoena
Enrollment Mandates

Dispenser - Mandatory PDMP Enrollment
Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Enrollment

Effective Date(s): January 1, 2014 (when provision became effective; practitioners have until July 1, 2016 to comply)

Details:
Prescribers and out-of-state prescribers, which provides that a prescriber who possesses a valid DEA registration certificate for a practice location in California must register for access to CURES and a prescriber who possesses a valid DEA registration certificate for a practice location in a state or states other than California may register for access to CURES if the prescriber’s licensing board expressly permits or requires the prescriber to register for access to CURES. Pharmacists and out-of-state pharmacists, which provides that a pharmacist who possesses a valid California license must register for access to CURES and an out-of-state pharmacist who possesses a valid pharmacist license in a state or states other than California may register for access to CURES.

Use Mandates

Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Use

Effective Date(s): October 2, 2018

Details:
Effective October 2, 2018, prescribers are statutorily mandated to consult the CURES database prior to prescribing a Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance to a patient for the first time, and at least every 4 months thereafter if the substance remains part of the patient's treatment. Commencing January 1, 2021 prescribers will be additionally requiring to consult the CURES database prior to prescribing a Schedule II, III, IV, or V controlled substance to a patient for the first time and at least every 6 months thereafter if the substance remains part of the patient's treatment.
PDMP Queries

- Ability to search for multiple patients in one query
  - Patient Query Date Range: 1 year
  - Minimum data elements to query for healthcare user: Partial First or Last name and DOB
  - Query by partial data elements by healthcare user: 1 character
  - Optional data elements to query by healthcare user: First OR Last name (only one is required), Gender, Address, City, State, and Zip Code.

- Minimum data elements to query for non-healthcare user: For patient history searches, First OR Last name is required. For prescriber or pharmacy searches, DEA or State License # is required.
- Query by partial data elements by non-healthcare user: 1 character
- Optional data elements to query by non-healthcare user: For patient history searches, First OR Last name (only one is required), DOB, Gender, Address, City, State, and Zip Code. For prescriber or pharmacy history searches, Prescriber or Pharmacy Name, Address, City, State, and Zip Code.

Unsolicited Reports/Push Notifications

- Frequency unsolicited alerts/reports generated: Daily
- Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports: Patient Safety Alerts are generated daily and displayed on the prescriber's dashboard.

Training on Enrollment and Use

Dispenser - Training Provided
Licensing Board - Training Provided
Law Enforcement - Training Provided
Prescriber - Training Provided
Veterinary Policies

Data transmission frequency for Veterinarians: **weekly**
Criteria for veterinarian queries: **Animal's Name**

- Veterinarian access to owner's prescription history
- Veterinary Icon on PDMP Report

**Reporting Specifications**

**Reporting Method:** Electronic

**Data Fields:**
- PAT07 - Last Name, PAT08 - Owner's First Name, PAT18 - Animal's Date of Birth,
- PAT19 - Owner's Gender, PAT20 - Species Code, PAT21 - Name of Animal,

**Reporting Description:**
Veterinarians are required to report

**Reporting Mandate Compliance**

**Reporting Compliance Details:**
The CA PDMP (CURES) makes data and reports available for the Veterinary Medical Board to ensure veterinarian compliance with the reporting mandate.

**Reporting Mandate Actions:**

**Reporting Issues:**
Inconsistencies in data reported by veterinarians.

**Reporting Misc Information:**

**Enrollment Mandate Compliance**

**Enrollment Description:**
Veterinarians are required to enroll as data requesters with the PDMP

**Enrollment Mandate Compliance Details:**
The CA PDMP (CURES) makes data and reports available for the Veterinary Medical Board to ensure veterinarian compliance with the enrollment mandate.

**Enrollment Mandate Criteria:**

**Query Mandate Compliance**

**Query Description:**
Veterinarians can voluntarily query and do query

**Query Mandate Compliance Details:**
PDMP Effectiveness Measures