Georgia

PDMP Name: GA PDMP

Agency responsible: Georgia Department of Public Health

Agency type: Department of Health

PDMP website: https://georgia.pmpaware.net/

Enrollment website: https://georgia.pmpaware.net/

Query website: https://georgia.pmpaware.net/

Data upload website: https://pmpclearinghouse.net/

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State Registrant Totals and Population

Statistics year: 2020
State population: 10,725,274

DEA registered prescribers: 46,704
DEA registered dispensers: 2,277
PDMP Available Reports

- Prescriber access to patient history
- Prescriber access to own history
- Prescriber access to patient query history
- Prescriber access to registrant query history
- Dispenser access to patient history
- Dispenser access to own history
- Dispenser access to patient query history
- Dispenser access to registrant query history
- Patient access to own query history
- Licensing Board access to patient history
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- Licensing Board access to patient query history
- Licensing Board access to registrant query history
- Law Enforcement access to patient history
- Law Enforcement access to prescriber history
- Law Enforcement access to dispenser history
- Law Enforcement access to patient query history
- Law Enforcement access to registrant query history
- Clinical Alerts
- Risk Scores
- MME Calculations
- Overdose Reports
- Multiple Provider Episodes
- Drug trend reports
- Geomapping of prescription data
- Evaluation Reports for Public, Legislature, etc.

Other types of reports:
- Summary data on/with patient reports
- Customized reports by user type
- Peer comparison reports
- PDMP annual reports
- Data dashboards
- Prescriber report cards
- Statewide statistics
- Lost/stolen prescription information
- Opioid Dashboard link: https://oasis.state.ga.us/gis/TrendableMaps/agsDrugODTrend.aspx

PDMP Budget and Staffing

**Source(s) of Funding**
- State general fund
- Licensing fee
- Controlled substance registration fee
- Regulatory board fund
- Agreed settlement
- BJA grant
- CDC grant
- SAMHSA grant
- CMS grant
- NASCSA grant
- Other funding

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Total Staff: 5.50
# Policies and Procedures

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## Miscellaneous Capabilities and Policies

### Data collection frequency: 24 hours

- Payment method captured
- Patient ID required to be presented to dispenser
- Patient ID captured
- ID of person (other than patient) dropping off capture
- ID of person (other than patient) picking up capture
- Mandated use of advisory group
- ICD-10 Codes Collected
- Deceased Patient Field
- HIPAA Covered Entity
- Ability to identify prescriber specialty
- Ability for users to set thresholds for alert notices
- Ability for users to do user-led alert notices
- Unsolicited alerts to practitioners not enrolled in PDM
  - Certified as CMS Specialized Registry
  - User-friendly web interface
  - Data analysis software
  - Online user guides/educational materials
- Patient consent required before data release
- Required notification to patients of Query
- Patient Breach Notification Method:
- Patient Breach Notification Method Other:
- PDMP Effectiveness Study

### Zero-reporting

- Zero-reporting frequency:
- Ability to search for multiple patients in one query
- Supervisor review/audit of delegate accounts
- Number of delegates allowed: 2
- Authority to release de-identified data
- Authority to release for epidemiological or educational purposes
- Engaged in release for epidemiological or educational purposes
- Identifiable Data to State Health Department
- Identifiable Data to local Health Department
- Mandatory E-Prescribing (EPCS)
  - E-prescribing required substances:
  - E-prescribing exemptions/waivers:
- Patient Notification of Breach
- Patient Breach Notification Written

### Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports:

- Report sent via email
Data Retention

- Data retention policy
- Prescriber information purged
- Patient information purged
- Retain de-identified data
- All information purged
- Dispenser information purged
- Drug information purged

Retention time: 5 years

Record retention details:

De-Identified data retention details:

PDMP User Training

Training website:

Available Training
- Prescriber
- Dispenser
- Law Enforcement
- Regulatory Board
- Attorney General
- Patient
- Researcher

Training Required Before PDMP Use
- Prescriber
- Dispenser
- Law Enforcement
- Regulatory Board
- Attorney General
- Patient
- Researcher
- Other

PDMP Accounts

- Automatic enrollment with license renewal or application

Enrollment method:
- Prescriber account criteria:
- Dispenser account criteria:
- Regulatory Board account criteria:
- Law Enforcement account criteria:

Law Enforcement Requirements

- Active investigation
- Subpoena
- Court order/approval

Probable cause
Search warrant
Proper need/upon request

Other: law enforcement or prosecutorial officials pursuant to a search warrant issued by an appropriate court or official in the county in which the law enforcement or prosecutorial officials are located; federal law enforcement or prosecutorial officials with a search warrant or grand jury subpoena

Law Enforcement Access Methods

- On-line/web portal
- Written request

Other method:
PDMP has established an email address for law enforcement PDMP inquiries

Criteria to Query PDMP

Minimum data elements:
Partial data elements:
Optional data elements:

Patient access to query list details:
Requirements for patients to get own report:
Non-healthcare users allowed online accounts:
**Veterinarian access to owner's prescription history**

**Criteria for veterinarian queries:**
- Reporting method:
- Reporting description:
- Data Fields:
  - Animal reporting specifications same as human patient

**Animal v. Human Patient Reporting Differences:**
- Reporting Issues:
- Reporting Miscellaneous Information:
  - Reporting Mandate Compliance
    - Compliance Details:
    - Reporting Mandate Actions:
  - Enrollment Description:
  - Enrollment Mandate Criteria:
  - Enrollment Mandate Compliance
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    - Use Description: Veterinarians are not permitted by statute/rule/policy to query
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### Drug-related Arrests
- Data on PDMP Report
- Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
- Reciprocity

Data Collectors: Data Reporters: Data Location: Data Fields: Authorized Users:

### Drug-related Convictions
- Data on PDMP Report
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- Reciprocity

Data Collectors: Data Reporters: Data Location: Data Fields: Authorized Users:

### Child Welfare Case Information
- Data on PDMP Report
- Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
- Reciprocity

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### Criminal Court Case Information
- Data on PDMP Report
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### Drug Court Case Information
- Data on PDMP Report
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Data Collectors: Data Reporters: Data Location: Data Fields: Authorized Users:

### Medical Marijuana Dispensings
- Data on PDMP Report
- Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
- Reciprocity

Data Collectors: Data Reporters: Data Location: Data Fields: Authorized Users:

### Risk Ratings_Urine Drug Screens
- Data on PDMP Report
- Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
- Reciprocity

Data Collectors: Data Reporters: Data Location: Data Fields: Authorized Users:
Data Monitored or Accessible (cont'd)

- **Naloxone/Narcan Administrations**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

- **Naloxone/Narcan Dispensings**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

- **Overdoses - Fatal Information**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

- **Overdoses - Non-fatal Information**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

- **Pharmaceutical Manufacturers/Distributors Sales**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

Sales data access method:
Frequency of sales data upload:
Sales data elements available:

- **Other Information**
  - Data on PDMP Report
  - Monitor Trends/Inform Policy
  - Reciprocity

  Description: Vital Statistics Death Data; Low THC Registry

- Capture/access registrant’s disciplinary history/status
- Capture/access patient lock-in information
- Capture/access lost/stolen prescription drug reports
- ARCOS data available
## Technological Capabilities

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### Required Data Transmitters

- Pharmacy in-state
- Pharmacy in-state/mail order transmitters
- Pharmacy out-state/mail order
- Pharmacy out-state/other
- Other:

  Out of State Pharmacies are Voluntary

### Data Collection, Storage, Generation and Access

- Data collection entity: Vendor
  - Vendor name: Appriss
- Data storage entity: Vendor
  - Vendor name: Appriss
- Report generation entity: Vendor
  - Vendor name: Appriss
- Data access entity: Vendor
  - Vendor name: Appriss
- Data access method: Web Portal/On-Line

### Interstate Data Sharing

- **Method**
  - PMPi Hub
  - RxCheck Hub
  - HIE method

- **Jurisdictions Engaged**
  - AL, AR, DE, DC, FL, LA, ME, MA, MS, MT, NY, NC, ND, OH, SC, TN, TX, VA, WY, and MHS

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- Paid by Feds
- Paid by State
- Paid by Facility
- Paid by Provider

- HIE Cost Model: Unknown
- EHR Cost Model: Unknown
- PDS Cost Model: Unknown

### RxCheck Integration Allowed

- Unknown

### Patient Matching

- Exact match
- Probabilistic match
- Referential match
- Deterministic match
- Manual match
- Other match method

- Access to patient matching algorithms
- Matching data elements:
  - True positive matches, True negative matches
- Matching metrics available:
  - Data quality issues, Limited data elements used in matching process, Lack of insight into matching methodology in use
- Internal matching barriers:
  - Data quality issues
- Interstate matching barriers: Data quality issues
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