This message is intended to educate entities or practitioners that are currently reporting to the controlled substance database on a weekly basis. If you are already reporting to the controlled substance database on a daily basis, please disregard this message.

Rule change: Daily reporting to PDMP implementation begins immediately

Daily Reporting Overview

On October 20, 2014, Rule 420-7-2-.12 passed requiring entities and practitioners (except veterinarians) that dispense controlled substances, Class II-V, to report data to the controlled substance database on a daily basis. The purpose of this new rule will assist with the identification, intervention, prevention, and education of abused, misused, and diverted controlled substances within the state of Alabama.

Daily reporting implementation should begin immediately. PDMP will allow a grace period to implement this change until January 1, 2015 at which time PMDP will begin collecting non-compliance data for the regulatory boards per state law. If you are already reporting to the controlled substance database on a daily basis, please disregard this message.

Accordingly, this notification is solely intended to educate entities or practitioners that are currently reporting to the controlled substance database on a weekly basis.

Daily Reporting Requirements

Entities and practitioners that dispense controlled substances, Class II-V, must report data to the controlled substance database on a daily basis.

Entities and practitioners required to report daily include but are not limited to:

- Licensed pharmacies;
- Mail order pharmacies or pharmacy benefit programs filling prescriptions for or dispensing controlled substances to residents of Alabama;
- Licensed physicians, dentists, podiatrists, and optometrists who dispense controlled substances;
- Veterinary practitioners shall submit reports at least once monthly by 11:59 p.m. on the last business day of the month.

For additional assistance regarding daily reporting to the controlled substance database, contact the PDMP Technical Support Desk at 1-800-225-6998 (option 8) or visit the PDMP website, www.adph.org/pdmp (click on the Dispenser Packets link).

Daily Reporting Submissions

- At least once daily by 11:59 p.m.
  - Licensed pharmacies;
  - Mail order pharmacies or pharmacy benefit programs filling prescriptions for or dispensing controlled substances to residents of Alabama;
  - Licensed physicians, dentists, podiatrists, and optometrists who dispense controlled substances;
- At least once monthly by 11:59 p.m. on the last business day of the month.
  - Veterinary practitioners
- If an entity or practitioner does not dispense a controlled substance on a specific day, the entity or practitioner shall report that zero controlled substances were dispensed.
- The daily-reporting requirement does not apply on days that the entity or practitioner’s business is closed.

Daily Reporting Penalties for noncompliance/non-reporting

Mandatory reporting from weekly to daily will begin immediately. PDMP will begin collecting data to report noncompliance to the Boards beginning January 1, 2015.

For a complete copy of Rule 420-7-2-.12, visit the PDMP website at www.adph.org/PDMP/Default.asp?id=1234.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please feel free to contact the PDMP at pdmp@adph.state.al.us.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in reducing prescription drug abuse, misuse, and diversion in the state of Alabama.