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Welcome to the **Western Maryland Physician Network** provider newsletter, "ACO: Be in the Know" - a monthly publication that provides important updates, reminders and key information to keep our practices up to date.

GPRO Reporting PY2016 Update

- TIN & individual provider reporting/results are currently being compiled. They should be ready by June 1.
- Any questions or issues with the **GPRO reporting process** should be directed to **Debbie Mullaney at 240-964-8267 or dmullaney@wmhs.com**.

WMPN Business

- Any and all providers will need to be enrolled in the PDMP (Prescription Drug Monitoring Program) (with CRISP) by June 30, 2017. In the near future it will be a requirement in order to renew your DEA license. Please contact the CRISP help-desk for questions. ([PDMP Mandatory Registration in CRISP letter](#))
- The next scheduled WMPN Quarterly Provider meeting will be held at WMHS on Monday, June 12, 2017, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the WMHS auditoriums. Please be sure to RSVP as dinner will be served as usual.
- The new WMPN Board of Managers roster will be posted in the June edition of the newsletter. The new members will start their terms as of July 1, 2017 with the terminated positions stepping down then, as well.



Upcoming CMS and Premier Webinars & Conference Calls:

- **CMS ACO Learning System Webinar: Reducing Hospital Readmissions in the Post-Acute Care Environment** - Wednesday, May 24, 2017, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.
- **CMS Web Interface Measures for the 2017 Reporting Period – Part 2**
Thursday, May 25, 2017 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
- **CMS Claims-based and Administrative Measures** - June 15, 2017 from 1:30-3:00 p.m.
- **Any questions on these webinars or to register can be directed to Debbie Mullaney at 240-964-8267.**

WMHS Provider News

- **Quality Performance/Clinical Measures:** Each month we will focus on a few of the clinical measures and items for quality performance for the ACO. These measures and guidelines are what every ACO must document for assessment of compliance with the ACO directives. PY2017 has 15 clinical measures (vs 17 in PY2016) that WMPN will be responsible for reporting to CMS via the GPRO Web Interface next year.
- The majority of measures for this performance year are going to be pay for performance measures. There are only two existing measures that are still pay for reporting. Those are the **new Statin Therapy measure (PREV-13)** and the **Depression Remission measure (MH-1)**.
- **CARE-1 (ACO-12) Medication Reconciliation Post-Discharge:** This is the new measure for PY2017 and is the only other reporting based measure. This measure is based on the percentage of discharges from any inpatient facility for patients aged 18 years and older seen within 30 days following discharge, in the office by a licensed provider giving on-going care for whom the discharge medication list is reconciled with the current medication list in the outpatient medical record (during the measurement period: CY2017). There are no Denominator exclusions or exceptions. This measure will be calculated for each discharge for that patient. Clinical Pharmacists are included in the definition of licensed provider in this measure.
- **CARE-2 (ACO-13) Falls Screening for Future Falls Risk:** This measure recurs from last year and is performance based. It is based on the percentage of patients age 65 and older who were screened for future fall risk during the measurement period (CY2017). The only Denominator Exception is for medical reasons and there are no exclusions. This measure can be defined as the completion of a fall risk screening or an assessment of whether an individual has experienced a fall or problems with gait or balance. This last parameter was added for 2017. A specific screening tool is not required. Documentation of no falls is sufficient. Gait or balance assessment meets the intent of the measure as well.



PDMP Mandatory Registration in CRISP



Overview

With recent changes to Maryland state statute (HB437 / Chapter 147, 2016), CDS prescribers and pharmacists in Maryland are required to register for the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

The Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) is administered by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), Behavioral Health Administration (BHA). Registration and PDMP access are implemented through the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) – The state-designated health information exchange serving Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Who is subject to the legal registration mandate?

Pharmacists: Licensed pharmacists in Maryland must be registered with the PDMP by **July 1, 2017**.

Prescribers: Practitioners authorized to prescribe CDS in Maryland must be registered with the PDMP by **July 1, 2017**

CDS prescribers include: physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, dentists, podiatrists, and veterinarians.

Course of Instruction training requirement: The new PDMP statute requires all registrants complete a course of instruction on effective use of the PDMP. You will meet this legal requirement by completing the full registration process; the training is provided in video format imbedded in the registration workflow.

Please review the [Updated PDMP Legislation Fact Sheet¹](#) from the Behavioral Health Administration for more information about this and other legal changes to the PDMP that may affect you.

Registration instructions

If you are a new registrant...

New users who do not currently have access to PDMP can register online. Please set aside 30 minutes to complete the registration and training process. You may save your progress and continue later. [PDMP Registration Home Page²](#)

The registration process for all registrants will include a training video and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that should be electronically signed. Upon completion of the registration Process, an email with a PDMP Registration Code will be sent to the email address specified in the registration process. Please save the PDMP Registration Code for your records. It is advised that you use an e-mail address that you can access regardless of professional or workplace affiliation.

- ***If you are an existing CDS prescriber and have a Maryland License number, DEA, NPI, and CDS numbers:***

Required to register in the Auto-Registration Process:

- 30 minutes to complete the registration
- Computer with internet connection and audio

¹ Updated PDMP Legislation Fact Sheet:

[http://dhmh.maryland.gov/dental/pdf/UPDATED%20PDMP%20Legislation%20Fact%20Sheet_06Jun2016%20\(2\)%20\(2\)%20\(1\).pdf](http://dhmh.maryland.gov/dental/pdf/UPDATED%20PDMP%20Legislation%20Fact%20Sheet_06Jun2016%20(2)%20(2)%20(1).pdf)

² PDMP Registration Homepage: <http://crisphealth.org/services/prescription-drug-monitoring-program-pdmp/pdmp-registration/>

- An individual e-mail address that only you access
- Your healthcare professional license, DEA, NPI, and CDS numbers

The registration process will require you to answer a series of questions to confirm your identity and will ask you to confirm information for registration. Please provide the requested information throughout the process.

For a PDMP Auto-Registration Process Step by Step Guide, please visit the CRISP PDMP Registration Home Page [Auto-Registration Training Guide](#)³

- ***If you are a pharmacist or a new prescriber with a Maryland License number, OR if you do not have a CDS and/or DEA number at this time (e.g. unemployed prescriber, etc.):***

Required to register in the Standard Registration Process:

- 30 minutes to complete the registration
- Computer with internet connection and audio
- An individual e-mail address that only you access
- An electronic copy of your Driver's License, Employee ID, or Passport
- Your healthcare professional license, DEA, NPI, and CDS numbers, if applicable

For a Standard Registration Step-by-Step Guide, please visit the CRISP PDMP Registration Home Page [New Prescriber Training Guide](#)⁴

If you are already registered with PDMP...

If you currently have access to PDMP, you do not have to take additional steps at this time. You are already registered! Registration occurs only once and if you have ever registered for PDMP access in the past, you meet the legal mandate and are compliant with the PDMP course of instruction requirement under the law.

If the e-mail address you registered with becomes inactivated, please contact **CRISP (877-952-7477 or support@crisphealth.org)** to provide an updated e-mail address that only you can access. This will ensure your access to PDMP regardless of any occupational organization affiliation.

If you are not sure if you are already registered with PDMP...

If you are a CDS prescriber, you can visit the [PDMP Registration Homepage](#)⁵ to begin the Auto-Registration Process. Complete the first step of entering your DEA and license number. If an account exists for those credentials, you will be alerted on the screen and an email will be sent to the email address on record with CRISP.

If you are a pharmacist, please contact **CRISP (877-952-7477 or support@crisphealth.org)**.

More Information

For any legal, policy, or PDMP programmatic questions, please contact the Maryland PDMP Office at 410-402-8686 or dhmfh.pdmp@maryland.gov

For questions about how to register for PDMP, please contact CRISP at 877-952-7477 or support@crisphealth.org.

For any questions regarding the status of your CDS permit or to register for a CDS permit, please contact the Maryland Office of Controlled Substances Administration at 410-764-2890.

³ Auto-Registration Training Guide: <http://crisphealth.org/wp-content/themes/flat-bootstrap-crisp/assets/files/Step-by-step%20guide%20to%20Prescriber%20registration%20-%20Final.pdf>

⁴ New Prescriber Training Guide: <http://crisphealth.org/wp-content/themes/flat-bootstrap-crisp/assets/files/Step-by-step%20guide%20to%20Pharmacist%20and%20New%20Prescriber%20Registration%20-%20Final.pdf>

⁵ PDMP Registration Homepage: <http://crisphealth.org/services/prescription-drug-monitoring-program-pdmp/pdmp-registration/>