



Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Integration Initiative - FAQ

What is the Oregon PDMP Integration initiative?

For the first time, prescribers and pharmacists can access PDMP information within their electronic workflow via an embedded Application Programming Interface (API). This initiative aligns with broader state and federal efforts to increase the use of PDMPs to reduce inappropriate prescriptions, improve patient outcomes and promote more informed prescribing practices.

Who is responsible for the Oregon PDMP Integration initiative?

The Oregon PDMP Integration initiative is sponsored by HIT Commons, a shared public/private governance model formed between OHLC (Oregon Health Leadership Council) and OHA (Oregon Health Authority). This initiative is guided by the expertise of the members of the [PDMP Integration Steering Council](#). OHLC partnered with Apriss Health to create a statewide subscription to allow PDMP integration into health IT systems across the state.

What is Oregon's PDMP program?

The Oregon PDMP is a statewide program managed by the Department of Human Services that collects information on dispensed controlled substance prescription drugs (Schedules II-IV). The program is a key partner in the statewide PDMP Integration initiative, integral in designing, monitoring and reporting on progress towards statewide integration goals.

Is there a mass enrollment option for PDMP?

Each provider must sign up for individual accounts. Now that PDMP registration is mandatory in Oregon, the majority of providers at your facility should already have accounts. We can verify which providers do and do not already have accounts so that organizations can do targeted outreach to those that need to register.

If you need assistance verifying accounts, please complete the [PDMP Enrollment Data Request Form](#) and send a spreadsheet, with names of the providers to be verified, and if available, include the state license number or NPI to drew.r.simpson@dhsosha.state.or.us.

What are the advantages of PDMP integration?

PDMP integration will allow prescribers and pharmacists to:

- Retrieve PDMP data from within their current electronic workflow (without the need to memorize passwords or log into a different system).
- Save time with 'one-click' access to patient data (average savings reported between 2.5 - 4 min/patient).
- Utilize PDMP data at the point of care, encouraging the use of a patient's prescription history in clinical decision making.



Am I required to integrate my health IT system?

No, integrating PDMP with your health IT system is not required. Prescribers will continue to have access to PDMP data via the web portal.

Will delegates have access to PDMP Integration data?

Only authorized prescriber and pharmacists are allowed to view PDMP data from within an integrated health IT system.

HIT Commons has a contract with Apriss Health to integrate PDMP data directly into electronic health records (EHRs), pharmacy management systems (PMS), and health information exchanges (HIEs). PDMP Integration is designed to automate searches, making patient PDMP data immediately accessible without requiring users to login to a separate system. This allows prescribers and pharmacists access to a patient's prescription history at the time of providing care. Each time a user accesses the PDMP from within an integrated system it is recorded for audit purposes.

Delegates, both licensed and unlicensed, do not have access to PDMP data via health IT integration.

OHA provides a non-integrated PDMP web portal where prescribers, pharmacists, and their delegates can access the PDMP. Delegates are authorized to access the PDMP once their PDMP user accounts are linked to an authorized prescriber or pharmacist. A record of all use by prescribers, pharmacists, and their delegates is retained for auditing purposes.

Currently delegates are not permitted to access the PDMP through an integrated system for the following reasons:

1. There is no way to link a delegate to a specific credentialed prescriber within an EHR or HIE (required in Oregon auditing purposes)
2. Some states do not allow delegate access to PDMP data. This complicates cross-state data sharing if a delegate accesses PDMP from an EHR or HIE

Notes:

OHA and Apriss Health are working with Oregon's HIEs to pilot delegate access within their HIE to integrated PDMP. Oregon's HIEs may have the technological flexibility to allow assignment of delegate to authorized prescriber.

HIT Commons has a contract with Apriss Health to provide PDMP notifications for hospitals who have integrated EDIE within their EHR. Only ED authorized prescribers have access to this limited data set within the EDIE notification. The query for the PDMP data is tied to the Chief Medical Officers credentials for auditing purposes.

What information is available from the Oregon PDMP?

Information collected includes patient name, address, date of birth, sex, pharmacy, prescriber information, specific prescription information including the drug name and dosage, when prescribed and when dispensed. This information is only for prescriptions that are classified as controlled substances (Schedules II, III and IV).



How can authorized prescribers and pharmacists access Oregon’s PDMP database?

PDMP Access Options	Who can access?	How and when do I get access?	What does it cost?
PDMP Web Portal	All authorized prescribers, pharmacists and delegates	Web portal accounts may be established through the state PDMP office at any time. For more info: www.orpdmp.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional cost A percentage of provider licensing fee goes to this service.
EDIE* Health IT Integration	All authorized users at hospital emergency departments who have implemented EDIE into their electronic workflow	Interested hospitals can work directly with our contracted vendor to enable PDMP integration at any time. For information contact: Justin Keller, Collective Medical Technologies (CMT) justin.keller@collectivemedicaltech.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal and state funding covers the majority of the cost (82%). Remaining costs will be managed by shared funding with Oregon hospitals, health plans and retail pharmacies. For more info, contact OHLC.
PDMP Health IT Integration	Any organization with health IT and authorized prescribers, pharmacists and delegates	Full details on how to apply for PDMP integration is available on the PDMP Integration website .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding is available for rural hospitals through OAHHS. For more information, contact Katie Harris, kharris@oahhs.org

Will pharmacists see the same information seen by prescribers?

Yes, PDMP data is not filtered for pharmacists.

Will we see PDMP data from other states with PDMP integration?

Yes, we currently have Interstate data sharing with Idaho, Kansas, Nevada and North Dakota; Alaska, Washington, and California are in progress.

There are six questions at the end of the PDMP Request Form that is required by Appriss for interstate data sharing. We hope the following information is helpful when completing the first three questions:

- First question: Example of a response: “Our organization has a Medical Staff Office who perform credentialing and verification for all applicable staff in accordance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations.”
- Second and third questions: Users for role-based access include prescribers, pharmacists, and dentists. Oregon statute allows PDMP data to be copied and pasted into the legal medical record. Once stored in the medical records, all staff with access rights to medication/notes data in the EHR can view the PDMP data.



How do Community Connect organizations apply for PDMP Integration?

Community Connect organizations affiliated with your organization must complete their integration request form and legal documents.

For more information, please visit: [Oregon Health Leadership Council PDMP Integration Initiative](#)

Additional Resources:

[State of Oregon PDMP Website](#)

[Appriss Health PDMP Gateway](#)