



## Oregon PDMP Integration Initiative



Fall is a time for change – and we have a few changes to share with you. My name is Mark Hetz, and I know many of you from my former role as CIO of Asante or from the HIT Commons board. As of July, I have joined HIT Commons as the executive director, overseeing our initiatives and programs to implement technology in service to making health care more efficient, affordable and effective in Oregon. I'm also thrilled to announce that we have also brought on Lisa Parks as a new project manager for PDMP, who most recently worked at Behavioral Care Networks, a local organization that was contracted to manage the mental health and addiction benefits for Oregon Health Plan members.

This is also a milestone – the end of Q3 marks one year since the roll-out of PDMP and since then, we have seen the number of queries to the tool increase by 56 percent. Our key goal for the PMDP initiative for 2019 is to increase the use of PDMP data at the point of care by enabling access to the information within prescriber's and dispensing pharmacist's clinical workflow. As always, more

information on PDMP is available on our [website](#). We want to acknowledge and thank each one of you for your support and advocacy for the use of this tool within your organization.

Do not hesitate to reach out to me at [mark@orhealthleadershipcouncil.org](mailto:mark@orhealthleadershipcouncil.org) or to Lisa at [lisa@orhealthleadershipcouncil.org](mailto:lisa@orhealthleadershipcouncil.org) at any time with your questions, ideas or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Mark Hetz, Executive Director, Health Information  
Technology (HIT) Commons

### **Huge Increase in Queries Achieved, Due to PDMP Integration**

#### PDMP Integrated Queries

- 56% increase in number of PDMP Queries
- 100,000 increase in PDMP Queries per month over the past 6 months

#### PDMP Integrations

- 142 entities representing 10,656 prescribers are live with PDMP integration in their electronic health record (EHR) or Health Information Exchange (HIE).
- 7 pharmacy chains (367 individual sites) are live with PDMP integrated into their pharmacy management systems.
- 18 entities, representing 9,794 providers have submitted all

### **One Click and 1/3 of a Second!**

*“Accessing PDMP data used to take a tremendous amount of my time! I found it frustrating and I didn't go into the site that often. My delegate experienced the same problems that I did, and she was also busy, so it was completely up to me to access the data. And, to add insult to injury, it seemed like every time I tried to access the site, my password expired, so more clicks and more time was required to log on to my email, request a new password, and then log back into the site. Today it takes one click and 1/3 of a second! It was worth the wait.”*

paperwork and are scheduling go-live dates.

Read the full PDMP Integration progress report [here](#).

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Injury Specialists of Oregon

### Primary Areas of Focus include Rural Providers

We are continuing outreach to rural providers, primary care, behavioral health and dental providers.

**If you haven't done so, complete and submit your PDMP Integration form today.**

For registration and additional information, please visit [www.orhealthleadershipcouncil.org/pdmp-integration](http://www.orhealthleadershipcouncil.org/pdmp-integration)

### Only Two Months Left to Apply for Rural Hospital Subsidy Grants

Oregon critical access Type A and B hospitals can access funding (up to \$20,000 per hospital) to integrate EDIE and/or PDMP into their EHRs through rural hospital subsidy grants.

These are only available until December 31, 2019. To apply, contact Katie Harris

[kharris@oahhs.org](mailto:kharris@oahhs.org), OAHHS Director of Rural Health & Program Management.

### Why Can't my Delegate Access PDMP Through my EHR?

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

- There is no way to link a delegate to a specific credentialed prescriber within an EHR or HIE, which is a requirement for auditing in Oregon
- 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

**Note:** OHA and Appriss 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.



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