



Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Training and Technical Assistance Center

## Georgia

PDMP acronym: GA PDMP Region: South  
 Agency Responsible: Georgia Department of Public Health  
 Agency Type: Department of Health

### PDMP Web Resources/Links

PDMP Website: <https://dph.georgia.gov/pdmp>  
 PDMP Email: [pdmpsupport@dph.ga.gov](mailto:pdmpsupport@dph.ga.gov)  
 PDMP Register Website: <https://georgia.pmpaware.net/>  
 User Account Manual: <https://dph.georgia.gov/media/73041/download>  
 PDMP Query Website: <https://georgia.pmpaware.net/>  
 PDMP Data Upload Website: <https://pmpclearinghouse.net/>  
 Data Upload Manual: <https://dph.georgia.gov/sites/dph.georgia.gov/files/GA%20PDMP%20Dispenser%20Guide%20v1.2.pdf>  
 Statute/Regulation Website: <https://rules.sos.state.ga.us/gac/511-7-2?urlRedirected=yes&data=admin&lookingfor=511-7-2>  
 Opioid Guidelines Website:  
 PDMP FAQs: <https://dph.georgia.gov/registering-pdmp-faq>; <https://dph.georgia.gov/technical-issues>;  
<https://dph.georgia.gov/using-georgia-pdmp>  
 Integration Guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/pdmp/pdmp-integration>  
 PDMP Statistics Website: <https://dph.georgia.gov/epidemiology/drug-surveillance-unit>  
 Opioid Dashboard Website: <https://oasis.state.ga.us/gis/TrendableMaps/agsDrugODTrend.aspx>  
 Training Website: <https://bamboohealth.wistia.com/medias/5iloagod63>

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# State Population and Number of Registrants

State population: 11,037,723

DEA Prescriber total: 50,768

DEA Dispenser total: 2,290

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## Data Transmitter(s)

[Dispensing Practitioner](#)

[Pharmacy \(In-State\)](#)

[Pharmacy \(Mail Order In-State\)](#)

[Pharmacy \(Mail Order Out of State\)](#)

[Pharmacy \(Other Out of State\)](#)

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## Substances Monitored

[Schedules II - V](#)

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## Alternate Data Sources

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## Available Reports

[Dispenser Reports to Law Enforcement](#)

[Licensee Reports to Licensing Board](#)

[MME Calculations](#)

[Multiple Provider Episode Reports](#)

[Patient Query Lists to Dispensers](#)

[Patient Query Lists to Prescribers](#)

[Patient Reports to Dispensers](#)

[Patient Reports to Law Enforcement](#)

[Patient Reports to Licensing Boards](#)

[Patient Reports to Prescribers](#)

[PDMP Evaluation Reports](#)

[Prescriber Reports to Law Enforcement](#)

[Prescription Drug Combinations](#)

[Registrant Reports to Prescribers](#)

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## Statistical Capabilities

- ☒ # of Prescription Filled
  - ☒ # of Prescriptions Filled by CS Schedule
  - ☒ # of Prescriptions Filled by Drug Class
  - ☒ Statistics Filtered by Age or Age Range
  - ☒ Statistics Filtered by Ethnicity or Race
  - ☒ # of Authorized PDMP Users Enrolled
  - ☒ # of Registrants in SDTC
  - ☒ # of Registrants in SDTC by Practice/License Type
  - ☒ # of Data Errors by Error Type
  - ☒ # of Data Errors Corrected
  - ☐ # of At-Risk Patients by Risk Factor
  - ☐ Risk Factor Statistics by Time Frame
  - ☐ # of Solicited Prescriber Reports
  - ☒ # of Solicited Prescriber Reports by Requestor Type
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Prescriber Reports
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Prescriber Reports by Recipient Type
  - ☐ # of Solicited Dispenser Reports
  - ☒ # of Solicited Dispenser Reports by Requestor Type
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Dispenser Reports
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Dispenser Reports by Recipient Type
  - ☒ # of Solicited Patient Reports
  - ☒ # of Solicited Patient Reports by Requestor Type
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Patient Reports
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Patient Reports by Recipient Type
  - ☒ # of Dosage Units Dispensed
  - ☒ # of Dosage Units Dispensed by CS Schedule
  - ☒ # of Dosage Units Dispensed by Drug Class
  - ☒ Statistics Filtered by Gender Identification
  - ☒ Statistics Filtered by Geographic Location
  - ☒ # of Prescribers Enrolled in PDMP by License Type
  - ☒ # of Dispensers Enrolled in PDMP by License Type
  - ☐ # of Prescribers Enrolled in PDMP by Specialty
  - ☐ # of Unique Prescribers
  - ☒ # of In-State Queries
  - ☒ # of In-State Queries by Requestor Type
  - ☒ # of Interstate Queries
  - ☒ # of Interstate Queries by Requestor Type
  - ☒ # of Positive Matches from Interstate Queries
  - ☒ # of Solicited Statistical Reports by Requestor Type
  - ☐ # of Unsolicited Statistical Reports by Recipient Type
  - ☐ # of Unique Requestors for Solicited Reports
  - ☐ # of Unique Requestors by Requestor Type (sol. reports)
  - ☐ # of Unique Requestors for Unsolicited Reports
  - ☐ # of Unique Recipients by Recipient Type (unsol. reports)
- % Out-of-State Patients: <5%
- % Out-of-State Prescribers: <5%
- Data Analysis Resources Available:  
[Data Analyst](#); [Epidemiologist](#);
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## Authorized PDMP Users

Dispenser Delegates - Licensed/Solicited In-State  
Dispenser Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited In-State  
Dispensers - Pharmacies/Solicited In-State  
Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - Federal/Solicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - Federal/Unsolicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - Local/Solicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - Local/Unsolicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - State/Solicited In-State  
Law Enforcement - State/Unsolicited In-State  
Medicaid Drug Utilization and Review/Solicited In-State  
Medicaid Fraud and Abuse/Solicited In-State  
Medical Residents/Solicited In-State  
Nurse Practitioners/Solicited In-State  
Nurse Practitioners/Unsolicited In-State  
Patients/Solicited In-State  
Physician Assistants/Solicited In-State  
Physician Assistants/Unsolicited In-State  
Prescriber Delegates - Licensed/Solicited In-State  
Prescriber Delegates - Unlicensed/Solicited In-State  
Prescribers/Solicited In-State  
Prescribers/Solicited Out-of-State  
Prescribers/Unsolicited In-State  
Prosecutors/Solicited In-State  
Prosecutors/Unsolicited In-State  
Regulatory and Licensing Boards/Solicited In-State  
Regulatory and Licensing Boards/Unsolicited In-State  
State Health Departments/Solicited In-State

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## Engaged PDMP Users

[Dispenser Delegates - Licensed/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Dispensers - Pharmacies/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Dispensers - Pharmacists/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Law Enforcement - Federal/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Law Enforcement - Local/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Law Enforcement - State/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Medical Residents/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Nurse Practitioners/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Patients/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Physician Assistants/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Prescriber Delegates - Licensed/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Prescribers/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Prescribers/Solicited Out-of-State](#)  
[Prosecutors/Solicited In-State](#)  
[Regulatory and Licensing Boards/Solicited In-State](#)

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## Budget

### Total Annual Budget:

# of Employees - Operational: 4.5  
# of Employees - Technical: 0  
# of Employees - Analytical: 1

### PDMP Staff:

5.5

# of Employees - Other: 0

## Funding Source(s)

CDC Grant

State General Fund

## Technologies

Data Collection Entity: Vendor  
Data Collection Vendor name: Bamboo Health  
Data Storage Entity: Vendor  
Data Storage Vendor name: Bamboo Health  
Report Generation Entity: Vendor  
Report Generation Vendor name: Bamboo Health  
Data Access Method: Web Portal/On-Line  
Data Access Entity: Vendor  
Data Access Vendor name: Bamboo Health

☐ State HIE in place  
☐ RxCheck Integration Allowed  
☒ VHA VISTA integration  
☒ HL7 FHIR connectivity  
ASAP Version Utilized: 4.2

## Patient Matching

☐ Referential Matching  
☐ Deterministic Matching  
☒ Manual Matching  
☐ Other Matching  
☐ Exact Matching  
☒ Probablistic Matching  
☒ Probablistic and Manual Matching

☐ Access to patient matching algorithms

Patient Matching Metrics Available: True positive matches, True negative matches

Patient matching data elements:

## Integration(s) Available

| Integration Type | % Providers | Hub Used | Paid by Fed Gov't                               | Paid by State Gov't                                    | Paid by Facility   | Paid by Provider  |
|------------------|-------------|----------|---|--|--|---|
| EHR Integration  | 50-74%      | PMPi     | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Downloaded/Stored | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Manipulated for Analysis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Data Incorporated with Interstate Data | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multistate Integrations Allowed |

Integration Standards:

| Integration Type | % Providers | Hub Used | Paid by Fed Gov't                               | Paid by State Gov't                                    | Paid by Facility  | Paid by Provider   |
|------------------|-------------|----------|---|--|---|--|
| HIE Integration  | 0-24%       | PMPi     | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Downloaded/Stored | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Manipulated for Analysis | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Incorporated with Interstate Data | <input type="checkbox"/> Multistate Integrations Allowed |

Integration Standards:

Integration Standards:

## Interstate Data Sharing Partner(s)

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Alabama                 | PMPi Hub |
| Arkansas                | PMPi Hub |
| Delaware                | PMPi Hub |
| District of Columbia    | PMPi Hub |
| Florida                 | PMPi Hub |
| Louisiana               | PMPi Hub |
| Maine                   | PMPi Hub |
| Massachusetts           | PMPi Hub |
| Military Health Service | PMPi Hub |
| Mississippi             | PMPi Hub |
| Missouri                | PMPi Hub |
| Montana                 | PMPi Hub |
| New York                | PMPi Hub |
| North Carolina          | PMPi Hub |
| North Dakota            | PMPi Hub |
| Ohio                    | PMPi Hub |
| South Carolina          | PMPi Hub |
| Tennessee               | PMPi Hub |
| Texas                   | PMPi Hub |
| Virginia                | PMPi Hub |
| Wyoming                 | PMPi Hub |

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## PDMP Policies

Enabling legislation enacted: 2011

PDMP operational: 2013

User access date (any method): 2013

User electronic access date: 2013

Date received electronic data: 2013

Interstate sharing start date:

Law/Statute citation: GA Code §§16-13-57 to -65

Regulation/Rule citation:

Dr Shopper law/statute: GA Code §16-13-43 (a) (6)

Pill Mill law/statute:

Pain Clinic law/statute: Sec. 43-34-280 to -290; ADC 360-8-.01 to -.10

Unauthorized Use or Disclosure: GA Code §16-13-64

Enacted 42 CFR Part 2:

42 CFR Part 2 Details:

- ☐ Required Notification to consumers
- ☒ Mandated Use of Advisory Group
- ☒ Payment method captured
- ☒ Ability to id prescriber specialty
- ☐ Patient consent required before PDMP data release
- ☐ Ability for users to set thresholds for alert notices
- ☐ Ability for users to do user-led alert notices
- ☐ Mandatory E-Prescribing (EPCS)
- ☒ Compliance Process for Enrollment Mandates
- ☐ Compliance Process for Query Mandate
- ☐ ICD-10 Codes Collected
- ☐ Deceased Patient Field
- ☐ Engaged in Academic Detailing
- ☐ Patient ID Required to be Presented to Dispenser
- ☒ Ability to de-id data
- ☒ Authority to release de-id data

De-identified data sharing conditions:

De-Identified Data Retention Details:

- ☐ Retain De-Identified Data

Record Retention Details:

- ☐ Patient Notification of Breach

Patient Breach Notification Method:

Patient Breach Notification Method Other:

E-prescribing required substances:

E-prescribing exemptions/waivers:

Authority to enforce PDMP mandates: Regulatory/Licensing Board

Data collection frequency: Daily or next business day

☐ Requirement for zero-reporting

Frequency of zero-reporting:

☒ Data Retention Policy

Data Retention Time: 5 years

☐ All Information Purged

☐ Patient Information Purged

☐ Prescriber Information Purged

☐ Dispenser Information Purged

☐ Drug Information Purged

☒ HIPAA Covered Entity

☒ Identifiable Data to State Health Dept

☐ Identifiable Data to local Health Dept

☐ Certified as CMS Specialized Registry

☐ PDMP Disaster Recovery Plan

ID Types Reported: Patient

☐ Written Notification of Breach

## Enrollment and Accounts

☐ Supervisor Review/audit of Delegate Accounts    Number of Delegates allows: [2](#)

☐ Auto Enroll with License Renewal or App

Enrollment Method:

Practitioner IDs for PDMP Account:

[DEA controlled substance registration number; Licensing Board number; National Provider Identifier;](#)

2 Factor Authentication:

[2 factor authentication not offered](#)

Criteria for Dispensers to get account to upload data

Criteria for Prescriber delegates to get account:

Criteria for Dispenser delegates to get account:

Criteria for PAs to get account:

Criteria for Nurse Practitioners to get account:

Criteria for other users to get account:

Requirements for Patients to get PDMP Report:

Requirements for others to get PDMP Report

Criteria for Online Non-healthcare accounts:

PDMP Data for Epidemiological Purposes: [Authority to Release](#)

☐ Law Enforcement On-line access to PDMP

☒ Law Enforcement Written Request access to PDMP

Law Enforcement Access Method:

[PDMP has established an email address for law enforcement PDMP inquiries](#)

Law Enforcement Access Requirements: [Court Order/Approval](#)

[Subpoena](#)

☐ PDMP users validated with DEA Registration File

☐ PDMP Access without DEA Number

☐ PDMP users validated with NPI File

Validation Process for

☐ PDMP users validated with State Licensing Board File    users without DEA #:

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## Enrollment Mandates

### Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Enrollment

Effective Date(s): July 13, 2014

Details:

Requires each physician owning or practicing in a pain management clinic to register with the PMP; all prescribers with a DEA registration number enroll in the PDMP no later than January 1, 2018 or within 30 days of attaining DEA registration if such registration occurs subsequent to that date.

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## Use Mandates

### Prescriber - Mandatory PDMP Use

Effective Date(s): July 13, 2014

Details:

Requires each physician owning or practicing in a pain management clinic to regularly check the PMP on all new and existing patients. Required to check when first prescribing a controlled substance or benzodiazepines and thereafter once every 90 days with some exemptions. Effective 7-1-19, a pharmacist who dispenses low THC oil shall query information on a registered patient in the PDMP prior to dispensing low THC oil to a patient and a physician shall query the PDMP prior to certifying a patient to the department as being diagnosed with a specific condition that requires the use of low THC oil as treatment.

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# Training on Enrollment and Use

[Prescriber - Training Provided](#)

[User Guides](#)

[Dispenser - Training Provided](#)

[User Guides](#)

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## PDMP Queries

☐ Ability to search for multiple patients in one query

Maximum number of patients in one query:

Patient Query Date Range: [2 years](#)

Other Query Date Range:

Minimum data elements to query for healthcare user:

Query by partial data elements by healthcare user:

Optional data elements to query by healthcare user:

Minimum data elements to query for non-healthcare user:

Query by partial data elements by non-healthcare user:

Optional data elements to query by non-healthcare user:

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## Unsolicited Reports/Push Notifications

Frequency unsolicited alerts/reports generated:

Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports:

[Report sent via email](#)

Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports - LE:

Delivery method for unsolicited alerts/reports - Boards:

☐ Unsolicited alerts/reports to practitioners not enrolled in PDMP

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# Veterinary Policies

Data transmission frequency for Veterinarians: [Daily](#)

Criteria for veterinarian queries:

☐ Veterinarian access to owner's prescription history

☐ Veterinary Icon on PDMP Report

☐ Reporting Specifications

Reporting Method:

Reporting Specifications:

Data Fields:

Reporting Description:

☐ Reporting Mandate Compliance

Reporting Compliance Details:

Reporting Mandate Actions:

Reporting Issues:

Reporting Misc Information:

☐ Enrollment Mandate Compliance

Enrollment Description:

Enrollment Mandate Compliance Details:

Enrollment Mandate Criteria:

☐ Query Mandate Compliance

Query Description: [Veterinarians are not permitted by statute/rule/policy to query](#)

Query Mandate Compliance Details:

Query Mandate Criteria:

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# PDMP Effectiveness Measures

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## Substance Use Disorder Activities

### Tools or Resources

- ☒ MAT Services
- ☐ MOUD Services
- ☒ Harm Reduction Strategies
- ☐ Mental Health Assistance Services
- ☐ Employee Assistance Programs
- ☐ Housing Assistance Programs
- ☐ Re-Entry Programs

Other:

### Surveillance Activities

- ☒ Emergency Department Data

Data Sources for Surveillance Activities:

- ☒ Medical Examiner/Coroner Data

Implement surveillance activities that link multiple data sources and systems; Syndromic Surveillance and Hospital Discharge Death Certificates, Toxicology Reports, ME/Coroner Reports; EMS, PDMP SUDORS, Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)

### Initiated Actions

- ☒ Resources to Affected Areas
- ☐ Directed Training on Prescribing
- ☐ Prescription Drug Tool Kits
- ☐ Risk Evaluation/Analysis on PDMP Reports
- ☐ Referrals to SUD Organizations
- ☐ Referrals to OFR Teams

Other Actions:

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