

Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Council State of Louisiana

January 11, 2012

MINUTES

A meeting of the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Advisory Council scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at the office of the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, 3388 Brentwood Drive in Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, convened at 1:00 p.m. to consider the following:

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum Call
3. Call for Additional Agenda Items
4. Consideration of Minutes from Prior Meeting – October 12, 2011
5. Opportunity for Public Comment
6. Review of Program Operation
7. Review of Proposed Legislation
8. Calendar Notes
9. Adjourn

Advisory Council representatives/designees present: Pete Tufaro (Sheriff's Association) chaired the meeting, Senator Ronnie Johns (Legislative Sponsor), Erin Conner (Board of Dentistry), Cindy York (Board of Nursing), Joseph Shepherd (DEA), Brenda Lands (DHH/Office of Behavioral Health), Crystal Carter (LPA), Lt. Henry Reed (State Police), Thania Elliott (Board of Medical Examiners), Fenton Lipscomb, DVM (LVMA), Lisa C. Bayhi (LA Assoc. of Nurse Practitioners), Mary Staples (NACDS), Randal Johnson (LIPA), and Greg Waddell (LSMS).

Others present: Malcolm J. Broussard (LABP), Joe Fontenot (LABP), Sarah Blakey (LABP), Carlos Finalet (LABP), Jennifer Marusak (LSMS), Michael Burdine, MD (LSMS), Louis Lerarza (DEA), Tony McCoy (DEA), Bud Courson (NACDS), and Linda Spradley (Spradley & Spradley, Inc.).

Consideration of Minutes from October 12, 2011 Meeting

Minutes were approved by consensus with no corrections.

Review of Program Operation

Joe Fontenot, PMP Manager, presented the following statistical information and provided printouts on all information:

[Data is current through December 31, 2011]

November 2011 Vital Signs Issue: "Prescription Painkiller Overdoses in the US"

- *Public Health Epidemic*
 - 1999 – 4,000 deaths
 - 2008– 15,000 deaths
 - 2009 – half-million ED visits due to misuse/abuse
 - 2010 – 12y or older – 12 million non-medical use
- Drug overdose death rates by state per 100,000 people (2008)
 - Louisiana 14.9 – 27.0
- What Can Healthcare Providers Do:
 - Follow Guidelines for Responsible Prescribing
 - Use PMPs to identify patients improperly using

Eligible Transactions Reported to the PMP – Total 41,883,252

- 2008: 6,019,931
- 2009: 11,154,837
- 2010: 12,124,061
- 2011: 12,584,423

Practitioner Access – Total 4,367

- Prescribers
 - 2009: 1,526
 - 2010: 2,247
 - 2011: 2,795
- Dispensers
 - 2009: 728
 - 2010: 1,211
 - 2011: 1,572

Ms. Thania Elliot (LSBME) stated that, based on practitioner feedback, she believes practitioners would utilize PMP information more if delegate accounts were allowed. Delegate accounts would free the practitioner from querying a patient profile by allowing others to have individual access. Mr. Joe Fontenot, PMP Manager (LABP) advised that if access were allowed for non-credentialed persons there would be no license to reprimand for illegal access and/or disclosure of PMP information. Pete Tufaro (Sheriff's Association) stated that delegate accounts may enable a doctor to use his appointee when attempting to avoid legal ramifications.

Ms. Thania Elliot (LSBME) moved for a motion that consideration of delegate accounts be added to the agenda for the next PMP Advisory Council Meeting. This motion was seconded by Greg Waddell (LSMS). Motion carried with no opposition.

Practitioner Queries - Total 1,439,766

- Prescribers
 - 2009: 235,985
 - 2010: 368,376
 - 2011: 496,270
- Dispensers
 - 2009: 74,277
 - 2010: 111,075
 - 2011: 153,783

Board and Regulatory Agencies – Total 3,546

- 2009: 833
- 2010: 1401
- 2011: 1612

Law Enforcement Access and Requests – Totals 2,799

- 2009: 680
- 2010: 889
- 2011: 1,230

Most Dispensed CDS and Drugs of Concern 2009 – 2011

2009

Generic Name	Number of RXs	Total Doses Dispensed
HYDROCODONE BIT/ACETAMINOPHEN	3,027,395	171,088,457
ALPRAZOLAM	1,040,542	57,583,888
ZOLPIDEM TARTRATE	801,492	23,094,724
CLONAZEPAM	478,046	25,080,544
AMPHET ASP/AMPHET/D-AMPHET	461,969	21,450,940
PROPOXYPHENE/ACETAMINOPHEN	461,443	21,641,502
OXYCODONE HCL/ACETAMINOPHEN	456,429	24,345,634
LORAZEPAM	339,246	16,006,426
DIAZEPAM	289,091	13,724,127
PHENTERMINE HCL	284,013	9,083,538

2010

Generic Name	Number of RXs	Total Doses Dispensed
HYDROCODONE BIT/ACETAMINOPHEN	3,069,192	175,333,349
ALPRAZOLAM	1,070,457	59,127,299
ZOLPIDEM TARTRATE	835,686	24,418,069
CLONAZEPAM	509,934	26,944,378
AMPHET ASP/AMPHET/D-AMPHET	508,579	24,260,777
OXYCODONE HCL/ACETAMINOPHEN	488,263	26,592,301
CARISOPRODOL	434,879	29,455,393
PROPOXYPHENE/ACETAMINOPHEN	385,786	18,244,833
LORAZEPAM	345,644	16,407,709
LISDEXAMFETAMINE DIMESYLATE	334,604	10,765,468

2011

Generic Name	Number of RXs	Total Doses Dispensed
HYDROCODONE BIT/ACETAMINOPHEN	3,203,983	182,794,713
ALPRAZOLAM	1,078,898	59,998,156
ZOLPIDEM TARTRATE	861,620	25,415,307
TRAMADOL HCL	730,895	48,353,563
AMPHET ASP/AMPHET/D-AMPHET	540,303	26,514,750
CLONAZEPAM	534,725	28,385,680
OXYCODONE HCL/ACETAMINOPHEN	522,726	28,919,184
LISDEXAMFETAMINE DIMESYLATE	405,528	12,994,074
CARISOPRODOL	386,230	26,099,300
LORAZEPAM	354,346	16,669,905

Mr. Joe Fontenot, PMP Manager (LABP) made note that Carisoprodol appeared on the top ten lists for 2010 and 2011 after becoming a schedule IV on August 15, 2009. Tramadol also appeared on the top ten list for 2011 after being identified as a drug of concern on September 1, 2010.

Ms, Thania Elliot (LSBME) questioned when information regarding drugs of concern would be reviewed to determine if the said drugs should be classified as a controlled dangerous substance. After Council discussion it was decided that information on the utilization of tramadol will be presented at the October 2012 Advisory Council Meeting.

Unsolicited Reports Doctor Shopping Impact

- 10 or more Prescribers **AND** 10 or more Dispensers
 - 2009: 610
 - 2010: 487
 - 2011: 479

Enhancements and Initiatives Added Since Implementation

- User name and password retrieval
- Reset password
- Specialized Patient Profile Report
- Log out feature
- Law enforcement indirect access
- Prescriber History
- E-mail specific user groups
- Practitioner contact update
- N/A in DEA field report
- Basic Query Menu
- New users establish passwords on-line
- Physician user group contact list
- Pharmacist user group contact list
- Unsolicited reports
- Pharmacy alerts

Review of Proposed Legislation

Mr. Malcolm Broussard, Executive Director (LABP) presented the Council with proposed legislation that would allow for interstate sharing of PMP information. Mr. Greg Waddell (LSMS) suggested an amendment ensuring protection for confidential records shared with other states. After reviewing the legislation, Mr. Randal Johnson (LIPA) moved that the PMP Advisory Council support the legislation as drafted with amendments. This motion was seconded by Mary Staples (NACDS). Motion carried with no opposition.

Calendar Notes

2012 tentative meet dates are: April 11, 2012, July 11, 2012, & October 10, 2012

The Council adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

I certify that the foregoing are true and accurate minutes.

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