

# Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Council State of Louisiana

October 10, 2018

## MINUTES

A meeting of the Louisiana Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Advisory Council scheduled to meet on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 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 & Adoption of Agenda
4. Consideration of Minutes from Prior Meeting – July 11, 2018
5. Opportunity for Public Comment
6. Review of Program Operation
7. Access to PMP Information by Chiropractors – Charles R. Herring, D.C., Baton Rouge
8. Presentation of FraudRx Alert – Mr. David K. Hughes, El-Cid Solutions
9. Calendar Notes
10. Adjourn

**Advisory Council Representatives/Designees present:** Col. Peter Tufaro (LSA) chaired the meeting. Also present were Vincent Culotta, Jr. M.D. (LSBME), Erin Conner (LABD), Jennifer Wright (LSBN), Malcolm Broussard (LABP), Lauren Bailey (LSMS), Ward Blackwell (LADA), Lisa Bayhi (LANP), Jonathan Bowman (OAL), Julie Breithaupt (LPA), Bud Courson (LAMP), Major Mittendorf (LAPA), Maj. Bob Brown (LSP), Mary Staples (NACDS), Rachel Smith (LDAA), Cheryl Golden (DEA), and Russell Caffery (LIPA).

**Others present:** Joe Fontenot, Carlos Finalet, Lindsey Schultz, Danielle Hartzog, and Nerissa Montgomery (all LABP), Crystal Carter (LPA), Caldwell Warley (El-Cid Solutions), J.R. Whaley (Whaley Law Firm), Flip Roberts (LHA), Kevin Richie (El-Cid Solutions), Jill Eldridge (SHW), Jennifer Stolier (LSBME), and Deborah Duvic (The Picard Group).

### **Call for Additional Agenda Items & Adoption of Agenda**

No additional agenda items introduced, agenda adopted.

### **Consideration of Minutes from the October 10, 2018 Meeting**

Minutes were approved by consensus with no corrections.

### **Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comments.

### **Review of Program Operation**

Mr. Joe Fontenot, Assistant Executive Director, presented statistical information regarding the program to the Advisory Council. **(Attachment 1)**

Mr. Fontenot explained that on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 during an appearance before the Legislative Audit Advisory Council, Representative Julie Stokes questioned statistical data regarding the number of hydrocodone prescriptions and how that number relates to the number patients. Mr. Fontenot provided the Council with his reply. **(Attachment 2)**

### **Access to PMP Information by Chiropractors – Charles R. Herring, D.C., Baton Rouge**

Dr. Charles R. Herring, D.C. did not attend the meeting to make a presentation as planned. Mr. Malcolm Broussard briefly explained Dr. Herring's request for access to PMP information by Chiropractors. Mr. Broussard stated he would follow up with Dr. Herring regarding his request.

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**Presentation of FraudRx Alert – Mr. David K. Hughes, El-Cid Solutions**

Mr. David K. Hughes of FraudRx Alert was not able to attend the meeting. Mr. Caldwell Warley (El-Cid Solutions), Kevin Richie, MD (El-Cid Solutions), and J.R. Whaley (Whaley Law Firm) presented *FraudRx Alert* on behalf of Mr. Hughes. The group provided information about FraudRx Alert to support their request for PMP access as a delegate. After some discussion, Mr. Blackwell recommended a referral of the matter to the Board of Pharmacy's Regulation Revision Committee for review and determination as to whether FraudRx Alert's proposal would be allowed under the current PMP law. The general consensus of the Advisory Council was to follow Mr. Blackwell's recommendation to refer the matter to the Regulation Revision Committee and report back to the Council.

**Calendar Notes**

The tentative meeting dates for 2019 were announced: January 9, April 10, July 10, and October 9.

**Adjournment**

With no business remaining, the Council adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

*I certify that the foregoing are true and accurate minutes.*

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Malcolm J. Broussard  
Executive Director  
Louisiana Board of Pharmacy

*Prepared by: Lindsey Schultz, Administrative Assistant, Louisiana Board of Pharmacy*

## ATTACHMENT 1



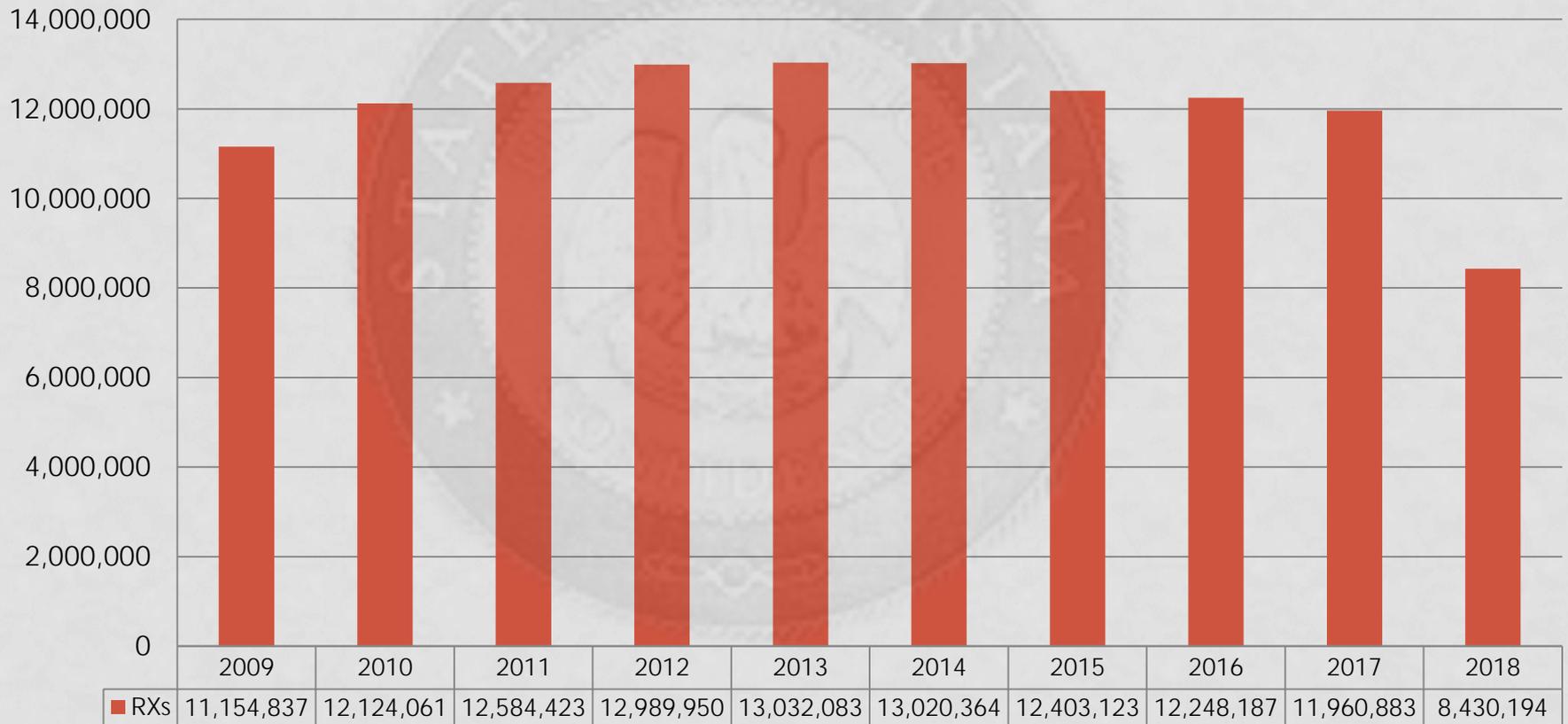
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# PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM (PMP)

PMP ADVISORY COUNCIL – OCTOBER 10, 2018

# NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PRESCRIPTION TRANSACTIONS REPORTED TO THE PMP

Total Reported: 125,968,036  
(06/01/2008 through 09/30/2018)



## PMP User Stats for 2018Q3 (07/01/2018 - 09/30/2018)

PMP Role Title - Healthcare Provider	Number of Providers <u>Eligible</u> for PMP Access (as of 09/30/2018)	Number of Providers with PMP <u>Active</u> Access Privileges (as of 09/30/2018)	Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>AWARxE™</u> During 2018Q3	Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>GATEWAY™</u> During 2018Q3
Physician (MD, DO)	12,868	8,307	370,766	917,800
Nurse Practitioner (APRN)	3,119	2,342	84,937	51,157
Dentist (DDS)	2,200	1,481	7,098	0
Physician Assistant (PA)	833	564	18,603	2,987
Optometrist (OD)	365	133	11	0
Podiatrist (DPM)	160	107	224	0
Medical Psychologist (MP)	92	82	5,097	0
Medical Intern/Resident	711	626	1,211	0
Prescriber's Delegate	NA	2,040	201,880	NA
Pharmacist (PST)	9,028	4,154	351,536	293,148
Pharmacist's Delegate	NA	776	33,610	NA
Totals	29,376	20,612	1,074,973	1,265,092

## PMP User Stats for 2018Q2 (04/01/2018 - 06/30/2018)

PMP Role Title - Healthcare Provider	Number of Providers <u>Eligible</u> for PMP Access (as of 06/30/2018)	Number of Providers with PMP <u>Active</u> Access Privileges (as of 06/30/2018)	Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>AWARxE™</u> During 2018Q2	Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>GATEWAY™</u> During 2018Q2
Physician (MD, DO)	12,827	7,419	340,161	820,620
Nurse Practitioner (APRN)	2,980	2,115	71,444	2,053
Dentist (DDS)	2,178	1,343	4,883	0
Physician Assistant (PA)	783	477	14,248	518
Optometrist (OD)	349	98	13	0
Podiatrist (DPM)	158	93	149	0
Medical Psychologist (MP)	91	76	4,851	0
Medical Intern/Resident	318	209	257	0
Prescriber's Delegate	NA	1,960	203,368	NA
Pharmacist (PST)	8,780	4,042	343,364	36,804
Pharmacist's Delegate	NA	725	37,132	NA
Totals	28,464	18,557	1,019,870	859,995

**PMP User Stats for 2018Q1 (01/01/2018 - 03/31/2018)**

<b>PMP Role Title - Healthcare Provider</b>	<b>Number of Providers <u>Eligible</u> for PMP Access (as of 03/31/2018)</b>	<b>Number of Providers with <u>PMP Active Access</u> Privileges (as of 03/31/2018)</b>	<b>Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>AWARxE™</u> During 2018Q1</b>	<b>Number of PMP Requests by Providers through <u>GATEWAY™</u> During 2018Q1</b>
Physician (MD, DO)	12,631	7,000	325,024	800,059
Nurse Practitioner (APRN)	2,870	2,003	64,249	756
Dentist (DDS)	2,141	1,298	4,544	0
Physician Assistant (PA)	745	400	12,825	404
Optometrist (OD)	347	44	0	0
Podiatrist (DPM)	157	87	259	0
Medical Psychologist (MP)	92	72	4,579	0
Medical Intern/Resident	6	4	4	0
Prescriber's Delegate	NA	1,857	192,580	NA
Pharmacist (PST)	8,681	3,996	297,252	38,276
Pharmacist's Delegate	NA	674	35,719	NA
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27,670</b>	<b>17,435</b>	<b>937,035</b>	<b>839,495</b>



Time Period

Previous quarter



## REQUESTS through Gateway™ by Louisiana Prescribers and Pharmacists

Disclosing State: Louisiana

PDMP Integration Request/Responses by Licensee

Licensee	July 2018	August 2018	September 2018
Drs Louapre Kokemor Sarrat and Braedt, LLC.	3,937	3,992	3,583
Kroger	12,312	12,218	11,094
Lafayette General Hospital	30,287	49,229	57,123
Ochsner Health System	266,768	289,741	262,408
Walmart Pharmacy	59,787	105,153	97,460
Total	373,091	460,333	431,668

Originating State

Louisiana

Role Group

(All)

Request Type

(Multiple values)

Response Type

(All)



Time Period

Previous quarter



## Gateway™ Requests from Prescribers and Pharmacists in LA, TX, AR, and MS

### Disclosing State: Louisiana PDMP Integration Request/Responses by Licensee

Originating State

(All)

Role Group

(All)

Request Type

(Multiple values)

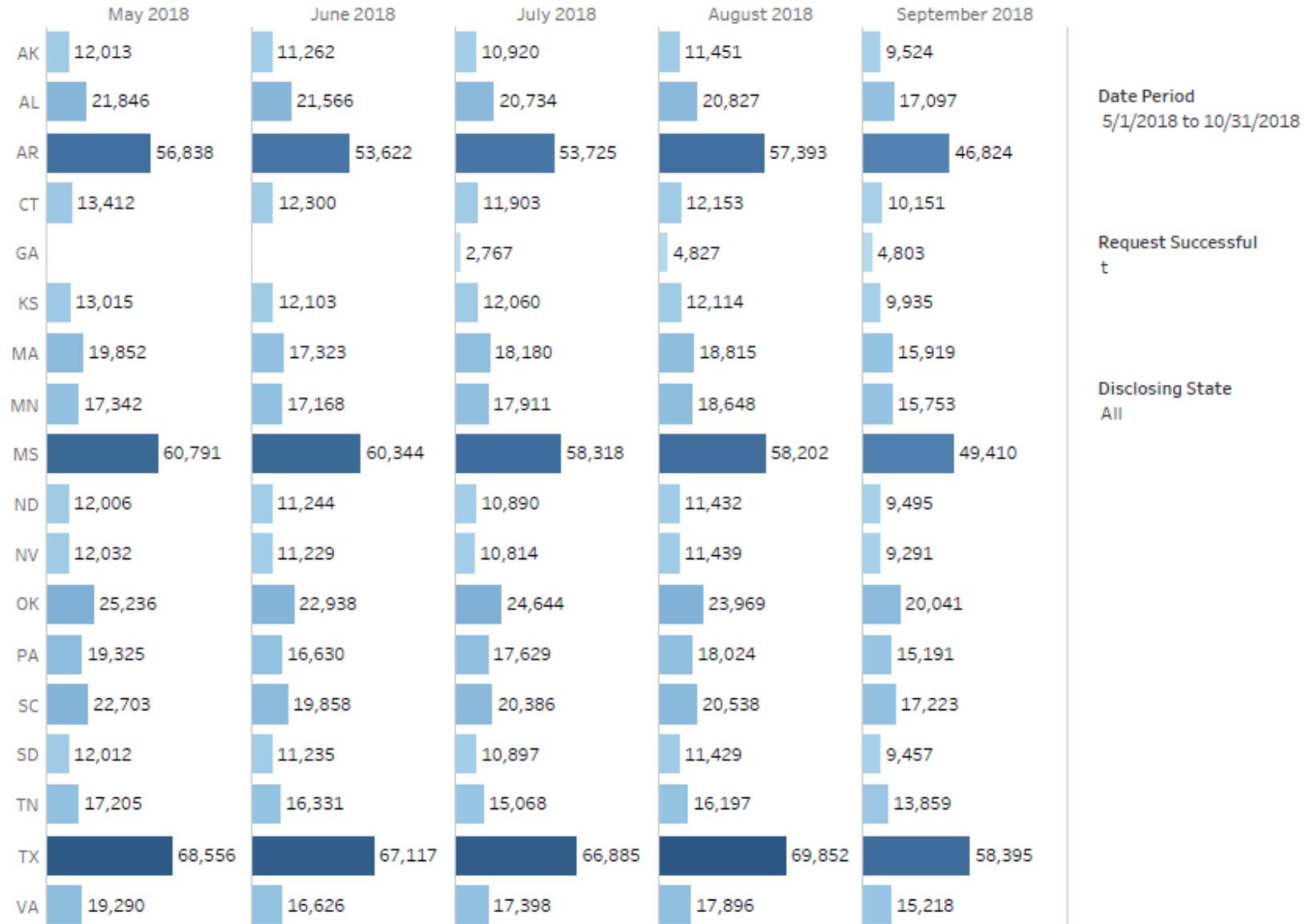
Response Type

(All)

Licensee	July 2018	August 2018	September 2018
Drs Louapre Kokemor Sarrat and Braedt, LLC.	3,937	3,992	3,583
Hattiesburg Clinic, P.A.	23,746	25,966	22,348
Heart of Texas Community Health Center (TX,..			106
Kroger	363,183	381,621	327,674
Lafayette General Hospital	30,287	49,229	57,123
Ochsner Health System	266,974	290,036	262,673
Singing River Health System			159
Walmart Pharmacy	469,744	663,572	609,727
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,157,871</b>	<b>1,414,416</b>	<b>1,283,393</b>

# Requests from Louisiana Practitioners for Other State PMP Data through Interstate Sharing

## Disclosures to Louisiana from other States



# Requests from Other States for Louisiana PMP Data through Interstate Sharing

## Disclosures from Louisiana to Other States



# LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Total Number of Law Enforcement  
Requests Processed: 9,839  
01/01/2009 through 09/30/2018



# ATTACHMENT 2

**From:** Joe Fontenot

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 9, 2018 9:31 AM

**To:** stokesj@legis.la.gov

**Cc:** Malcolm J. Broussard <mbroussard@pharmacy.la.gov>; Carl Aron <caron@pharmacy.la.gov>; Jfloyd@LLA.La.gov; Emily Dixon <EDixon@lla.la.gov>; Carlos M. Finalet <cfinalet@pharmacy.la.gov>

**Subject:** Louisiana PMP - Response to Requested Information

Representative Stokes,

In response to your request during the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Legislative Audit Advisory Council in which you questioned the number of hydrocodone prescriptions and how that number relates to the number of patients, I have compiled the following statistics:

Drug = Hydrocodone with Acetaminophen	# of Louisiana Patients	# of Prescriptions	Prescription Qty
CY 2014	850,428	2,565,483	144,390,719
CY 2015	823,571	2,356,483	140,301,700
CY 2016	816,887	2,295,630	135,265,544
CY 2017	765,961	2,117,210	121,577,120

It's encouraging to see a downward trend in these numbers.

If you have any question do not hesitate contacting me.

Sincerely,

Joe Fontenot



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- (1) Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; 3388 Brentwood Dr.; Baton Rouge, La. 70809; 225.925.6496; [info@pharmacy.la.gov](mailto:info@pharmacy.la.gov).
- (2) Committee on House & Governmental Affairs; Louisiana House of Representatives; P.O. Box 44486; Baton Rouge, La. 70804; 225.342.2403; [h&ga@legis.la.gov](mailto:h&ga@legis.la.gov).
- (3) Committee on Senate & Governmental Affairs; Louisiana Senate; P.O. Box 94183; Baton Rouge, La. 70804; 225.342.9845; [s&g@legis.la.gov](mailto:s&g@legis.la.gov).