

# Overview of Montana Prescription Drug Registry

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**Montana Prescription Drug Registry (MPDR)**  
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## Montana Prescription Drug Registry (MPDR) Background

- The 2011 Montana Legislature passed HB83 which authorized the Board of Pharmacy to establish and maintain a prescription drug registry program to collect data on controlled substances that are dispensed to Montana residents
- Allows authorized health care providers to review a patient's prescription history for controlled substances and use that information as a tool to improve patient safety and enhance the quality of patient care when making health care decisions
- MPDR information can also be a tool to look for indicators of potential drug misuse, abuse and/or diversion
- Voluntary to use



## Prescription Data



- March 2012 pharmacies began reporting data to the registry
- October/November 2012 registered users began searching the online registry
- The program requires Montana licensed pharmacies to report controlled substance prescription data (Schedule II-V) to the MPDR database on a weekly basis
- Some pharmacies submit data on a daily basis
- Data is reported electronically and automatically uploaded into the database; generally searchable that day
- Indian Health Services and some Tribal Health agencies are voluntarily reporting to the MPDR; Veterans Affairs in progress

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## Authorized Users

- Authorized users with direct online access to the MPDR:
  - Physicians and other health care professionals with prescriptive authority for controlled substances
  - Pharmacists
  - Designated representatives from Medicaid, Tribal Health, Indian Health, and Veterans Affairs
  - Board of Pharmacy authorized staff for administrative purposes
- Access requires authorized users to complete education and the online registration process
- Individuals can request a copy of their own prescription history as it appears in the MPDR
- State licensing boards and law enforcement are not authorized for online access, but may request MPDR information through an investigative subpoena
- Online access is at [www.mpdrrt.gov](http://www.mpdrrt.gov)



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## MPDR Home Page: [www.mpdr.mt.gov](http://www.mpdr.mt.gov)

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Welcome to the Montana Prescription Drug Registry (MPDR)

To SEARCH patient history:

- To be approved to search you must first complete the required [online training program](#).
- Once you have completed the training, you must then complete the registration form. To register, go to [www.pdrregistration.mt.gov](http://www.pdrregistration.mt.gov).
- After you register, click the "Sign In" button under "Patient Search History" below. You can view patient prescription history and, for prescribers, view your own prescribing history.

To UPLOAD prescription information (pharmacies only):

- If you have not submitted data before, you must first complete the registration form. To register, go to [www.pdrregistration.mt.gov](http://www.pdrregistration.mt.gov).
- Once registered, click the "Sign In" button under "Upload Prescription Information" below. You can upload files, enter zero reports, or manually enter prescription details.

For MORE INFORMATION go to [www.MPDRinfo.mt.gov](http://www.MPDRinfo.mt.gov).

UPLOAD PRESCRIPTION INFORMATION      **SEARCH PATIENT HISTORY**      BOARD OF PHARMACY

SIGN IN      SIGN IN      SIGN IN

## MPDR Search Page Features

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To search for prescription information, enter the following search criteria.

NOTE: You will be logged out of the MPDR after 5 minutes of inactivity.

SEARCH TIPS: If you can't find your patient, try entering fewer search parameters. For example, try entering just the last name and first initial or the last name and birth date or simply last name. Note that your patient may appear under multiple entries; for example John Doe, Johnny Doe and John Q Doe. You will need to review all entries for your patient in order to see their full prescribing history. Click [How Do I](#) above for more tips on using the registry.

Patient Search

My Prescribing History

Start search

Users can find answers to questions on the "How Do I" link. Available information includes search tips, instructions, and links to related websites

Prescribers can find out what prescriptions have been dispensed under their DEA number

Fill in specific patient information to that patient's prescription history

## MPDR Search Results

The "View Prescription Details" option allows users to select prescription information by prescriber or by pharmacy.

For example, if they click on a pharmacy name, they will see only the prescriptions filled for that patient, by that pharmacy.

View prescription details for patient John Doe for the last 6 months.

Patient Information							
Patient Name	Address	City, State	Date of Birth	Gender			
John Doe	111 Maple Street	Helena, MT	10/3/1983	Male			
Pharmacy Information							
Pharmacy Name	City						
Test Community Pharmacy	Helena						
Test RPh	Helena						
Prescriber Information							
Prescriber Name							
Test Podiatrist							
Test Md							
Test Physician							
Test Dentist							
Prescription Information							
Drug Name	Prescriber	Date Filled	Refill #	Refills Auth.	Quantity Dispensed	Date Written	Payment Source
OxyCONTIN (10MG)	Test Physician	9/24/2012	0	0	20 Each	9/24/2012	Workers' Compensation
OxyCODONE HCl (5MG)	Test Physician	9/19/2012	0	0	60 Each	9/19/2012	Workers' Compensation
Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen (10-325MG)	Test Podiatrist	9/16/2012	0	0	20 Each	9/16/2012	Private Pay



## MPDR Statistics (1 of 2)

- Statistics as of June 30, 2014
  - Over 5.1 million prescriptions in database
  - Over 642,000 patients (some duplicates) represented in database
  - **2,363 registered users**
    - 25.7% of eligible users
    - **37.4% of eligible users located in Montana**
  - Over 7,900 patient history searches in June
  - 137,450 total searches since 2012
  - Since 2012, responded to a total of 264 law enforcement subpoenas and 18 Board Investigator/Compliance requests



## MPDR Funding and Enhancements

- **Funding**
  - \$15 fee collection from licensees and federal grant support through Montana Board of Crime Control
  - Budget 2013 (12-month): \$300,758
    - Fees collection = \$85,035; balance of \$215,723 by grant
  - New grant funding as of April 2014
    - Allows for Phase 2 implementation resources, process, and accountability; expect similar fee collection
  - MPDR's vendor is Montana Interactive
- **Phase 2 Implementation**
  - Priorities aim to improve functionality and efficiency of the MPDR program
    - Pharmacy Compliance Report and Data Warehouse
    - Delegate Access
    - Interstate Data Sharing
    - Statistical Analysis
    - Unsolicited Reporting



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## MPDR 2014 Interim Report and Status Update (1 of 2)

- Board of Pharmacy MPDR 2014 Interim Report submitted to Interim Committee May 8, 2014
- Focus areas include:
  - **Background** – timelines, statistics, funding, enhancements
  - **MPDR Areas of Interest** – key topics as part of ongoing 2015 legislative discussions
    - Fee sunset provision (July 2015)
    - Fee collection – payers, process and budget considerations
    - Ongoing discussion related to potential legislative proposals
  - **Next Steps**
    - Improvements to online initial registration and statistics
    - Outreach and awareness
    - Plan, develop and build enhancements



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## MPDR 2014 Interim Report and Status Update (2 of 2)

- Focus areas continued:
  - **Recognition** – 2 awards received in 2013
    - Digital Government Achievement Award for Excellence in Government to Citizen Services
    - State of Montana Information Technology Project Excellence Award
- Continue dialogue and planning with stakeholders and the Committee regarding potential MPDR 2015 legislative proposals



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