NASCSA Survey of Prescription Monitoring Program Administrators
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Individual Comments
I like the idea, however, if there are other well established websites that have the same information, it is not worth the trouble.

Yes, but it needs to be information oriented to the state CSA's rather than the PDMPs themselves. My concern is duplicating the PDMP information that is currently maintained on the PDMP Training and Technical Assistance web site.

I'm not sure what else could be added online that is not already on the TTAC, COE, or NAMSDL websites.
Individual Comments
I am a staff of one at this time. I must be careful what to commit to.

Not applicable.

This would also be easier for you folks to manage.

This is redundant to what is already online.

We do not want to be responsible to update a website other that our own.

Right now, the PA Attorney General's office administers the PMP program. Sometime this year the Department of Health will be taking over those duties. The Attorney General's office will be responsible for administering the release of data to law enforcement.

On your website?

Individual Comments
Yes but just to augment what the TTAC currently provides.

I am a staff of one at this time. I must be careful what to commit to.

Yes but again, if the PMP TTAC captures all the information, hopefully the same information could be used.
This seems somewhat duplicative based on work by TTAC and NAMSDL. Would be in favor if this provided a comprehensive collection of information or if it provided items not available through other currently maintained resources. It would be good to allow us to provide input into what the variables are on the information by state. Failing that, maybe a narrative section where a state could provide information in narrative form. This would be helpful - I think state statistics would be good information to display.

I don't think you need to duplicate what's already been done by TTAC and NAMSDL. However, you can provide links to that existing info. The one thing I see on your list that I'd find most useful is to know each state's software vendor.

Our law may limit information that can be posted.

Seems redundant. Doesn't NAMSDL already collect and provide this information? A simple link may be better.

The only reason my response is a "no", is that this information is now collected and available on the PDMP TTAC web site. I would prefer to only have to maintain the KY PDMP information on one web site. I do think some basic PDMP information such as the state status map and contacts should definitely be available on the NASCSA web site. There are many people within a state CSA who turn to NASCSA first for PDMP information. So some basic PMDP information should be on the NASCSA web.

Individual Comments

I prefer to have contact information, especially current email addresses and phone numbers, available when needed.

I do like this idea. However, I am already communicating with most PMP administrators, interested parties and vendors that I wonder if I would truly use it. Or would it turn into another form of communication that may end up as yet another communication mode? Hard to tell.

Not applicable

This would be a very welcomed feature!
Current forum is not used now, why would this be different?

Once upon a time, I thought this might be helpful. But several efforts on LinkedIn by various PMP administrators didn't seem to get much traction. I think PMP Administrators just don't have much time for them.

I'm not sure. These forums don't seem to be used much, but the concept is very good. I think there needs to be some way to "ping" the forum users when something is posted or a question is posed on the forum, to prompt the users to check the forum.

Notifications are key! So, it would be helpful for the poster of the forum to be able to select which states they want a response from, instead of all. For example, if they as how did your state implement this, and obviously not every state has, then you can pick and choose who you'd like a response from and they would be the ones to receive an email notification that their response is requested. There should be a search feature so you can review history before posting new forums.

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Would you find it useful for NASCSA to create a PowerPoint template (and/or other format) that contains current national information that PMP administrators could utilize to answer questions on national PMP issues/trends?

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**Individual Comments**

Yes but only to augment what the TTAC currently provides.

As long as NAMSDL continues to have this information available, I don't believe it is necessary for NASCSA to duplicate these efforts.

Might be nice as we all do presentations and are pulling the latest and greatest from the literature.

If it contains different information than the NAMSDL web site.

Have already done so for Montana

Great idea!

This would be great.

Great idea!!

This would be very helpful.
Sometimes it is difficult to find up to date data.

Individual Comments
PMP HUB Interstate options

Interstate Data Sharing as it relates to data quality. 1) Integration of PMP data to Electronic Health Records or Health Information Exchanges. What states have done it, how did they go about it, was it successful. 2) Collection of all Prescription data. Does any state PMP collect all prescription data, not just Controlled Substances.

Would like to hear from states who have adopted mandatory use of PMP.

"Inside Maine's Medicine Cabinet: Findings From the Drug Enforcement Administrations Medication Take-Back Events". This was an evaluation of the quantity and type of medications obtained in unused-medications return programs and the proportion of medication waste. They analyzed data collected in 11 Maine cities in 2011-2013 during 6 DEA national take back events.

"Maine Prescription Monitoring Program Integration Project - Year 2 Final Evaluation". This was an evaluation of a U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services Admin to implement the PMP Electronic Health Record integration and Interoperability Expansion Program in Maine.

Information on single sign on PDMP and Medical Records. State's laws and contractors

Medical marijuana - what happens after the legislation is passed?

Nothing I can think of at this time

How to audit PMP user access.

Creating Prescriber report cards.
Individual Comments

It would be helpful to proactively share information relevant to PMP’s.

None that come to mind. Thank you.

Providing email updates on topics relevant to P MPs - Interstate operability. NABP has announced that they will no longer support PMIX architecture which causes may issues. Would be nice if NASCSA can intervene or act as intermediary in coming to an amicable understanding between hubs (vendors & states) so that we can all share data. I believe this is a goal for everyone.

Yes, states need to drive the development of PDMP customizations. It would be helpful if there was a clearing house by state where the requirements and special requirements for the various systems could be found.

When we developed our PDMP RFA none of the states that we contacted had a list of system requirements. So we had to make them up ourselves. Our list included over 250 system requirements and the vendor was required to deliver them all. Also, state contracts with vendors and RFPs. If a state had access to these then it would give the state a leg up on creating PDMPs that are driven by state needs and not necessarily what the PDMP vendors are selling. States need to drive the evolution of PDMPs not the vendors.

I believe this could be the single most important thing that might be done to help us improve PDMP contracting which is the foundation of any PDMP.

I don’t think that PMP Program initiatives are the proper venue for NASCSA and is why I voted many years ago to separate the PMP body from the organization.

Nothing I can suggest at this time.

It would be nice to see a spreadsheet of all the PMPs and their similarities/differences. Like when comparing different products side-by-side. This way you can view say 6 states at the same time to compare what laws they have in place (like required access), or the frequency of reporting, etc. Set a standard of questions that you'll ask them every six months/year that their software vendor could pull on their behalf, like the number of prescriptions they dispensed in their state, they number of requests made in their system. How many DEA registered prescribers prescribed in that time period. I’m sure we can come up with a list that all vendors could pull and it wouldn't disturb the PMP workflow or make more work for the administrators or their staff.