



National Association of State
Controlled Substances Authorities

NASCSA Resolution 2023-03
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Minneapolis, Minnesota

**A Resolution in Support of State Prescription Monitoring Programs (PMPs)
That Encourages States to Identify and Implement Sustainable Non-
Competitive Funding for PMPs**

WHEREAS, the National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities (NASCSA) has historically supported the prescription monitoring programs (PMPs) of individual states; and

WHEREAS, fifty-four jurisdictions: states, U.S. territories, and the Military Health System, currently have an operational PMP; and

WHEREAS, fifty-three PMPs actively transmit data across jurisdictional lines to identify patients at risk and assist in preventing doctor-shopping; and

WHEREAS, fifty-one jurisdictions mandate the use of PMPs by prescribers and pharmacists; and

WHEREAS, PMPs are actively integrating PMP data with electronic health record systems, pharmacy management applications, e-prescribing platforms, and dental management applications; and

WHEREAS, PMPs provide prescribing and dispensing data when a law enforcement or regulatory agency investigates individuals who may be violating drug laws via prescriptions; and

WHEREAS, PMPs have long relied on federal grant funding to enhance and maintain their programs; and

WHEREAS, federal funding of competitive grants is being reduced and, in some cases, mandates PMP participation while placing restrictions on the use of said funding;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that NASCSA supports the continued implementation, utilization, collaboration, and enhancement of state PMPs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, NASCSA's executive committee is directed to seek opportunities to support the states' PMPs and encourage states to review current funding processes and examine federal and state opportunities to secure sustainable, non-competitive funding for the continued enhancement and maintenance of PMPs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that states communicate to their congressional delegations and federal agencies the important role that state PMPs play in the prevention and treatment of substance use disorders within the current opioid epidemic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that NASCSA continues to oppose any initiative or program that duplicates or replaces individual state PMPs.

ATTEST: 
Alan McGill, President

Date: _____