

## TIP Sheet – Healthcare Provider Registration with the MPDR

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The Montana Prescription Drug Registry (MPDR) provides a list of controlled substances dispensed to patients and permits authorized users to access the information for the purpose of improving patient safety, including the identification of possible misuse or diversion of controlled substances. The MPDR is hosted by PMP AWAReE.

### How to register with the MPDR:

- Go to [MPDR PMP AWAReE \[montana.pmpaware.net\]](https://montana.pmpaware.net)
  - Choose “Create an Account”. When entering your professional license number, please include letters and dashes.
- Complete your AWAReE profile (required fields are marked with a red asterisk \*):
  - For prescribers, adding your DEA number allows you to use the *My RX Search* function to view all prescriptions attributed to your DEA number.
  - Selecting the most accurate healthcare specialty during registration will provide for a more meaningful Prescriber Report.
  - After completing your profile, you will sign up for Multi-Factor Authentication and select which method to receive verification codes (text message and/or email).
- To search for patient information/reports, please review the [Quick Reference Guide: Making a Patient Request](#). For more detailed information, review the comprehensive [MPDR PMP AWAReE Registered User Guide](#).
- **Delegate Process** – All delegates need to register for a new account with MPDR, which involves entering their MPDR Supervising Provider’s email address. A Supervising Provider will receive an email notification when a delegate chooses you as a supervisor. You must approve or deny requests within your MPDR account. Delegates will **not** be able to search patient reports on your behalf until you approve their access. Delegate relationships must be renewed every March and September.
- **Interstate Data Sharing** – MPDR continues to provide interstate data sharing and is now connected with 28 states, including all bordering states and the Military Health System.

### MPDR Requirements:

The following MPDR requirements were established in the 2019 Legislative Session:

- **Mandatory Registration and Fee Payment:** Effective October 1, 2019, all Montana licensees authorized to prescribe or dispense prescription drugs are required to register with the MPDR, Montana Code Annotated (MCA) [MCA 37-7-1503](#), and pay the annual \$30 MPDR fee at the time of license renewal, [MCA 37-7-1511](#).
- **Prescriber Mandatory Use:** Effective July 1, 2021, a prescriber, or an agent of the prescriber, is required to search a patient’s MPDR record before issuing a prescription for an opioid or a benzodiazepines to the patient, except in certain circumstances, [MCA 37-7-1515](#).

### Highlights of the MPDR System (PMP AWAReE)

There are many advantages to the PMP AWAReE software system that hosts prescription monitoring programs in 43 other states and territories. Key enhancements include:

- **NarxCare Clinical Tools** – NarxCare scores and graphs summarize your patient’s controlled substance history and potential risk.

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- **Patient Clinical Alerts** – Notifications are displayed on your user dashboard and directly on the NarxCare report if your patient meets thresholds set by the State Administrator.
- **MPDR Integration** – MPDR has partnered with the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services to fund and implement statewide integration through Appriss Gateway. Integration allows one-click access to MPDR information directly through health information systems, including electronic health records, health information exchange, and pharmacy dispensing systems. Please click [here](#) for more information on MPDR Integration.
- **Prescriber Reports** – *Coming soon.* Prescriber Reports are intended to give prescribers insight into their controlled substance prescribing patterns. Reports are provided quarterly to all registered MPDR users with an active account and a defined role and specialty who have written at least one opioid, sedative, or stimulant prescription during the prior 6-month period.

### Resources

- **MPDR PMP AWARxE Web Portal** – [MPDR PMP AWARxE \[montana.pmpaware.net\]](http://montana.pmpaware.net)
- **Quick Reference and User Guides** – See the [Quick Reference Guide: How to Search Patient History in MPDR PMP AWARxE](#) and the [MPDR PMP AWARxE Registered User Guide](#) for more details on registration, functionality, and clinical tools.
- **MPDR Homepage** – [www.mpdrrt.gov](http://www.mpdrrt.gov)
- **MPDR Integration Information** – [MPDR Gateway Integration Guide](#)
- **MPDR Statutes and Rules** – [Montana Code Annotated \(MCA\) 37-7-1501 through 1515](#) and [Administrative Rules of Montana \(ARM\) 24.174.1701 through 1715](#)

### Contact Information

- For technical assistance, please visit [AWARxE Support Center](#) or call 1-833-307-0309
- If you have policy questions, please contact the MPDR at (406) 841-2240 or by email at [dlibsdpdr@mt.gov](mailto:dlibsdpdr@mt.gov).