

**Quarterly Newsletter - April 2022** 

## **ATTENTION PHARMACISTS:**

The ILPMP was recently notified that the prescription data collection vendor we use, Atlantic Associates, Inc., is going out of business on **June 30, 2022.** We obtained an emergency contract for data collection services with Logicoy, Inc.

More information will be provided when it is available as the process continues.

The renewed **Naloxone Standing Order** is now available. Visit **DPH.Illinois.gov** for standardized procedures and more information.

#### **SUCCESS STORY: ACADEMIC DETAILING**

The ILPMP partnered with the University of Illinois Chicago's Department of Pharmacy Systems, Outcomes & Policy, to promote and educate community pharmacists on the Naloxone Standing Order. Trained detailers conducted 270 in-person educational outreach visits to pharmacies throughout Northern Illinois.

In addition to facilitating education to pharmacists on the standing order, several lessons were learned through this initiative. Over 80% of pharmacists reported facing one or more barriers to dispensing naloxone. The type of pharmacy setting is an essential consideration when evaluating naloxone standing order effectiveness, as independent store pharmacists generally reported a different mix of barriers than grocery/chain pharmacists.

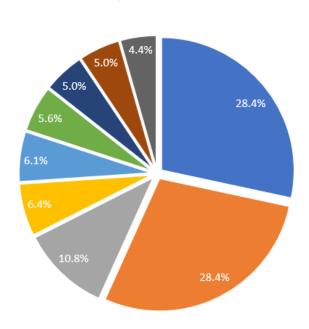
This educational outreach initiative is being featured in a podium presentation at the annual Academy Health meeting by Dr. Kent Hanson, PharmD, on behalf of the UIC team.

Podium Presentation Abstract



#### Proportion of Total Barriers Reported

- Costs/insurance
- Patient stigma
- Other
- Patients uninterested or lack education about naloxone/standing order
- Pharmacy not enrolled under standing order
- Trouble identifying appropriate patients
- Uncomfortable dispensing under standing order
- Lack time to counsel patients
- Uncomfortable discussing naloxone with patients



# **MyPMP TOOL**

The MyPMP analytical tool aids prescribers in accessing the risk of overdose for patients. MyPMP provides easy access to consolidated information and an ability to make an informed decision.

Prescribers can see patients that meet potential risk thresholds:

- Multiple provider episodes
- Opioid-naïve patients
- Over 90 morphine milligram equivalents (MME)
- Overlapping Opioid prescriptions
- Overlapping Benzodiazepine and Opioid Prescriptions
- Medical Cannabis Card as a part of the Opioid Alternative Program



### **EHR INTEGRATION WITH PMPnow**

PMPnow is the ILPMP's integration for electronic health records (EHRs) and pharmacy management software systems.

As a reminder, when a healthcare entity or pharmacy changes their EHR or pharmacy management software system or if there is a sale or purchase of locations; they should notify the ILPMP to ensure that the end-users have limited interruption to their workflow.

The ILPMP is connected to over 70 EHRs and pharmacy management software systems. This number continues to grow as connections are made with new vendors. To view a list of supported connections, please visit our "**Integrated EHRs**" Page.

If your EHR or pharmacy management system is not connected, please contact us at **dhs.pmp@illinois.gov** or direct your vendor

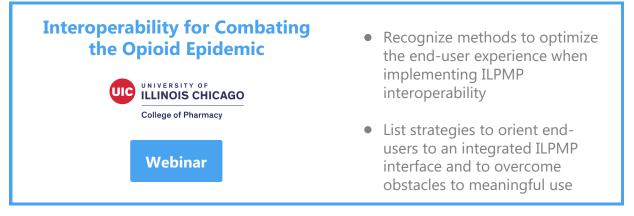


partner to submit the "Vendor Request to Connect" Form.

## **EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**

Find education resources including studies, guidelines, trainings, webinars, and more on **ILPMP.org**, as well as answers to **frequently asked questions**.

#### Webinar



#### **Educational Series**



With funding from the ILPMP and Cook County Department of Public Health, the Illinois Council of Health-System Pharmacists (ICHP) is offering a series of FREE Continuing Pharmacy Education (CPE) activities and informational podcasts on topics related to the opioid crisis covering the ILPMP, stigma reduction, CDC opioid guidelines and naloxone use training and distribution. The series will be available until August 31, 2022.

Access all ICHP Opioid Series programming via the CE platform, **CESally** (CESally account and NABP eProfile ID are required to complete training and receive CPE).

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you have questions about information that appears in this newsletter, or suggestions for future content, please email **dhs.pmp@illinois.gov**. Visit **www.ilpmp.org** for more

information.





The Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program (ILPMP) is part of the Illinois Department of Human Services. The ILPMP manages an electronic database that collects dispensing information for Schedule II-V controlled substances and selected drugs of interest. This data is reported daily by retail pharmacies dispensing in Illinois and displayed for providers to assist with the clinical decision-making process.

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