

**Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Advisory Commission
August 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Portland State Office Building
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Attendees:

Advisory Commission: Laura Armstrong, Michael Millard, Tracy Klein, Matt Eschelbach, Dr. Caroline Baldwin-Sayre, John McIlveen

OHA Staff: Drew Simpson, Stephanie Vesik, Josh Van Otterloo; Laura Chisholm, Peter Geissert

Public: Catherine Drunan

1. Introductions

Michael Millard acted as chair for the meeting in Chris Apgar's absence and asked all present to introduce themselves. Because quorum was not met at the beginning of the meeting Millard skipped the review of previous minutes until more members had joined.

2. Standing Agenda Items

a. Review quarterly metrics

Geissert reviewed the quarterly metric report which highlighted the continued increase in PDMP registration and use. Geissert explained the increased use from integrated health systems but pointed out that not all queries result in true utilization since the query often indicates that the report was automatically triggered but not necessarily used. Even with that taken into account PDMP utilization has seen a significant increase compared to this time last year.

Geissert also highlighted the decrease in prescribing for opioid and benzodiazepines while there has been a continued increase in stimulant prescribing. Eschelbach asked whether there was evidence of harm from the increased stimulant prescribing. Millard commented that it is being monitored because of stimulant scheduling but he isn't aware of the impact being evaluated.

Dr. Baldwin-Sayre joined by phone and quorum was met. Millard asked for a motion to approve the minutes and the were accepted as written.

b. Research study updates

Van Otterloo provided an update on research activities using PDMP data. Including a new research proposal from Advisory Commission member Tracy Klein. It had been discussed internally whether there would be a conflict of interest for a member of commission to be involved with research projects using the data. The Advisory Commission agreed that there was no conflict since it went through the standard evaluations and oversight.

Van Otterloo discussed a meeting with the Tribal Epi Center. They are interested in determining prescribing for their population, the PDMP does not collect race or tribal affiliation but they may be able to use alternate sources. This is currently in the early stage and not part of an official research request.

Chisholm highlighted the change in Van Otterloo's responsibilities as he transitions into his new role as the PDMP epidemiologist. The RA3 position he held previously is currently being recruited. That RA will be responsible for more than just PDMP research request and will help organize IVPP's various data sources research responses.

3. OHA Legislative Process Policy Review

Simpson presented the newly drafted policy regarding how the PDMP staff will solicit legislative input from the advisory committee. The primary change will involve utilizing the AC meeting prior to the next legislative session to discuss possible legislative concepts that may be proposed. The Advisory Commission will vote on each position so that PDP staff can present official position of the commission to OHA leadership. The Advisory Commission and the PDMP staff will be responsible for bringing potential proposals to the meeting.

4. Legislative Debrief and Implementation Update

Simpson provided a legislative debrief from the 2019 legislative session. There were five bills considered that would impact the PDMP and three that passed. HB 2609 which added dental directors to the list of authorized users, HB 2257 which is the Governor's opioid bill and made several changes to the PDMP most notably collection of diagnosis code, and SB 910 which allows drugs to be determined to be collected by administrative rule.

Millard recommended that the next session be used to repeal or amend the collection of diagnosis code. Armstrong agreed that as written the collected data will likely not be useful.

Simpson indicated that rule making will take place before the end of the year and he will invite members of the advisory commission to be part of it.

5. Annual Report Review

Geissert provided the Advisory Commission with a draft of the annual report that is currently being finalized through OHA's publication. Millard recommended that the Advisory Commission should vote on which states Oregon shares data with since it doesn't make sense to share with distant states. The PDMP team described its current priority of connecting with contiguous states and no one outside the western region.

6. New Business

Armstrong raised a concern about the poor attendance at Advisory Commission meetings. And asked if there was anything to be done to improve it. Millard recommended that there be a larger discussion of attendance at the October meeting and that official decisions how to address it be selected at that time. Possibly notifications need to be sent to associations when their representatives miss meetings.

Millard inquired when his term will expire, the PDMP staff will provide him that info. It is Millard's intention to finish his term.

7. Open Issues

No open issues.

8. Public Comment

No public comment.

9. Next Meeting Date: Oct 18th, 2019, PSOB Room 918, 1pm

10. Member Wrap-Up

11. Adjournment by 3:15 PM