

Q4 2022

This report contains summary data from the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). Data is provided as a courtesy for the board and is intended to be used for informational purposes only.

# News

- We are currently advertising for a Project Assistant to work on a sustainable plan to monitor reporting compliance.
- We have launched <u>Statewide Gateway</u>!

# **Upcoming Activities**

- The Delegate Audit will be conducted in March.
- The 2023 Awareness and Feedback Questionnaire will launch in March/April. An announcement will be made through AWARxE and posted to users' dashboards.

# Registration

### Portal

Number of licensed Optometrists: 220 Number of Optometrists with PDMP designations: 106 Number of Optometrists with DEA registrations: 94 Number of Optometrists directly dispensing controlled substances: 1

# AWARxE (PDMP)

Number registered with the PDMP: 90

### Review

Federally Scheduled II – III controlled substances, over a three-day supply (emergency, surgical and oncology specialties are omitted). The system does not capture treatment codes and is therefore not able to account for prescription(s) not reviewed due to some of the exemptions in AS 17.30.200(k)(4)(A).

Q4 2021: NA Q1 2022: NA

### **Delinquent Reporters**

Providers who directly dispense are required to report daily. We worked with the PDMP vendor to address reporting compliance and have a finalized tool. We are testing the tools available and creating a sustainable plan.

### Recommendations

- Encourage increased reviewing, including the use of authorized delegates
- Issue periodic reminders to licensees on mandatory reviewing
- Provide guidance to licensees on prescribing practices related to the use of dangerous combinations
- Encourage providers to sign up with <u>Statewide Gateway</u>!