

PDMP VETERINARIAN HIGHLIGHTS

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The 2021 Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Awareness Feedback survey was distributed to prescribers in Alaska to gauge their experience with the PDMP. This pamphlet shows the results of this survey for Veterinarians who prescribe controlled substances. **There were 43 respondents.**

Please see main report for details.



74%

*of Veterinarians
prescribe controlled
substances at least
monthly.*

How do Vets decide when to check PDMP?

40%

*of Veterinarians check
every patient being
prescribed a controlled
substance in the PDMP*

*Over half of
Veterinarians check the
PDMP for reasons other
than the ones listed.*

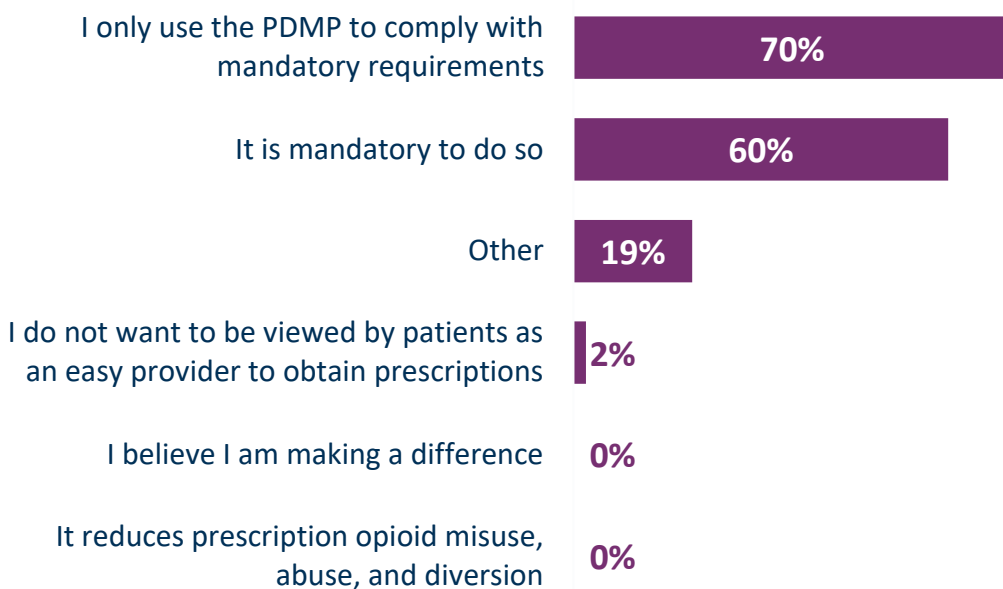
Only 2% of Veterinarians denied a prescription because of information found in PDMP. Among those who did, all denied prescriptions because the patient looked suspicious.

72% of Veterinarians found patient prescription history not at all valuable for informing decision making.

PDMP usage and barriers to usage

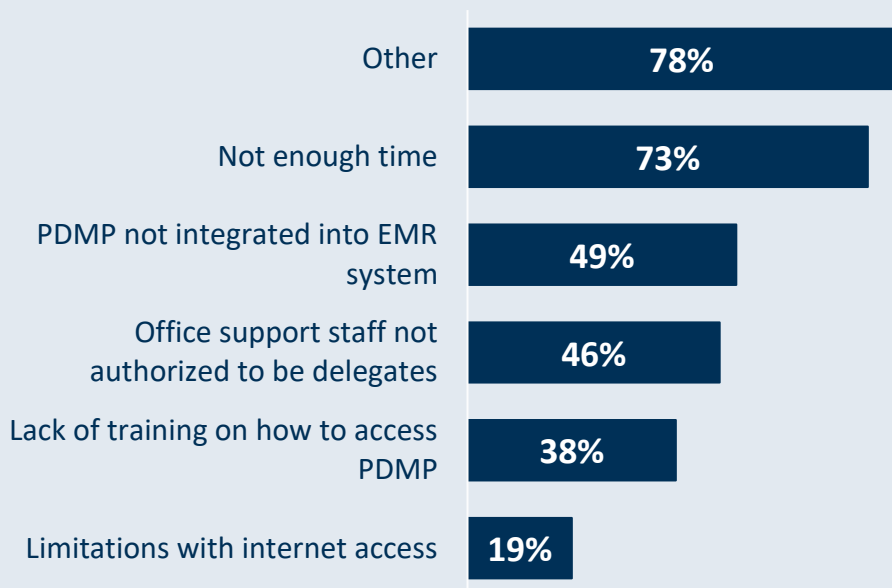
Why Veterinarians use PDMP

Most Veterinarians reported using the PDMP because it is mandatory.



Note: Graph shows the top 3 and bottom 3 responses for Vets.

Barriers to using PDMP



90%
of Veterinarians experienced barriers to using the PDMP

Note: Percents add up to more than 100% because of multiple selections.

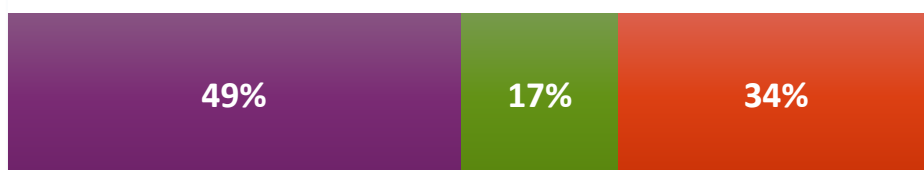
Report card & enhancements



85%

of Veterinarians receive a prescriber report card.

I was surprised by how I compare to other prescribers in same specialty



I changed prescribing patterns as a result of report card



■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

*Note: percents are calculated out of respondents who indicated that they do receive a report card. There were 0 responses for 'Strongly agree.'

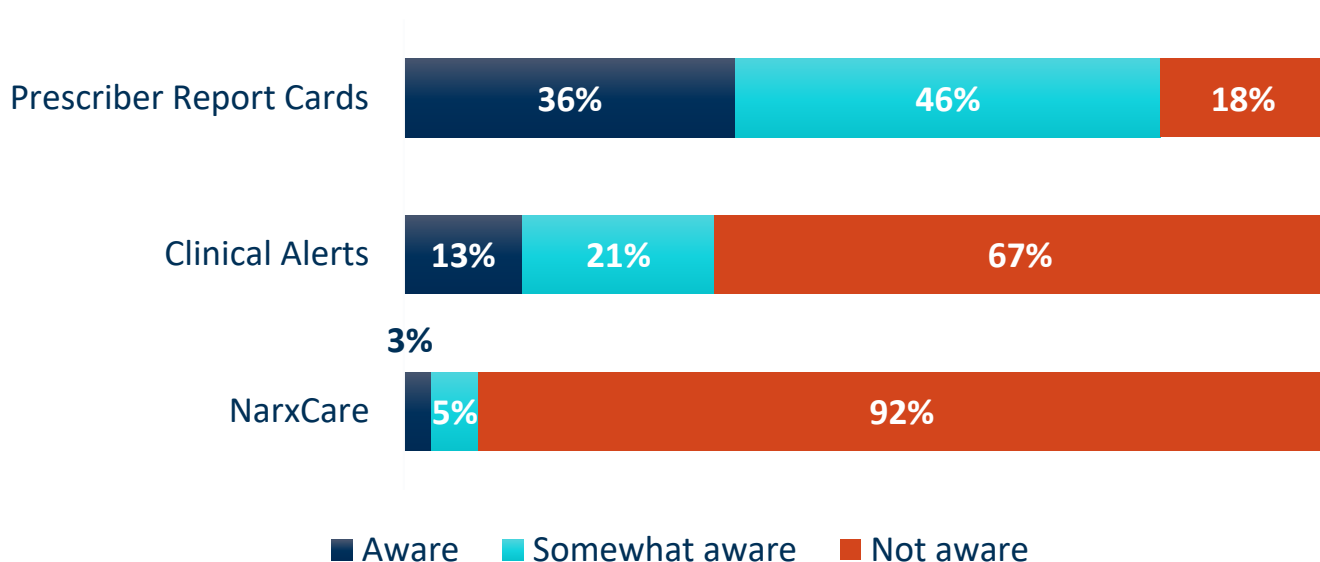
Veterinarians are not surprised by how they compared to other prescribers.

No Veterinarians changed prescribing patterns based on report card.

33%

of Veterinarians have reviewed their compliance report in the PDMP. However, 41% reported that they did not know they could.

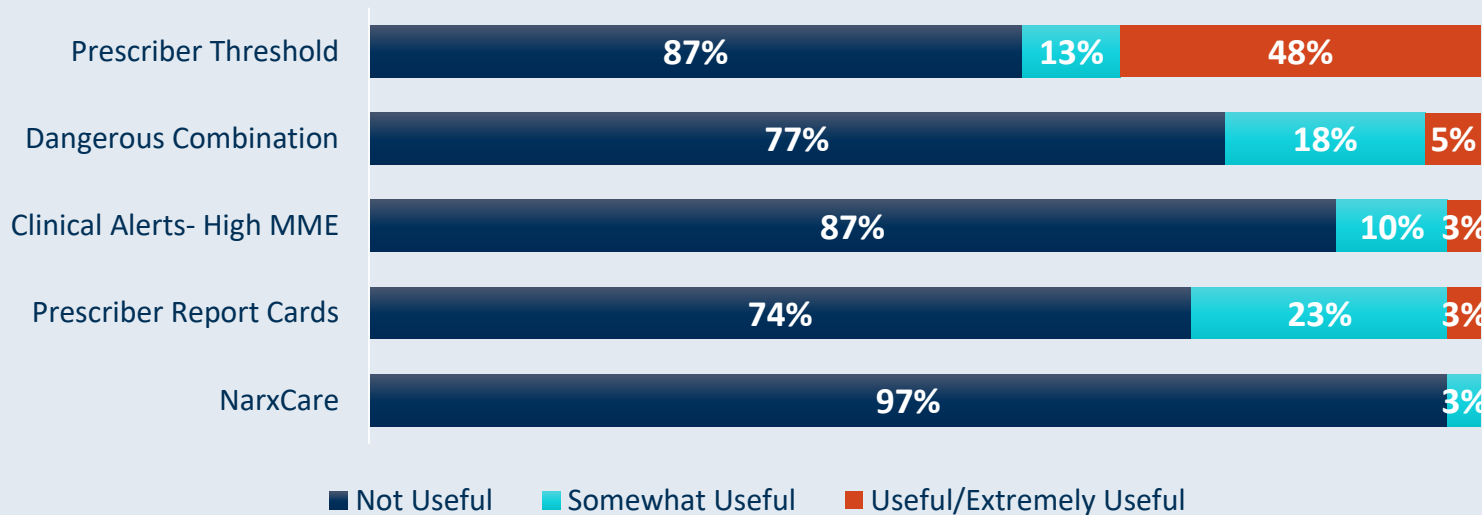
Awareness of PDMP enhancements



Veterinarians were most aware of prescriber report cards and least aware of NarxCare enhancements.

The most useful PDMP enhancement is Prescriber Threshold, while NarxCare is considered the least useful.

Usefulness of PDMP enhancements



Impacts of COVID-19

COVID-19 pandemic has affected PDMP use



Increased patient queries due to seeing more patients during pandemic



Reviewed less patients due to not seeing patients as frequently



■ Agree/Somewhat Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree/Somewhat Disagree

Generally, Veterinarians did not feel their PDMP use was affected by COVID-19. However, 16% reported reviewing less patients due to not seeing them as frequently. Only 8% saw an increase in patient queries due to the pandemic.

