

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 have hired a Project Assistant to help with monitoring compliance.
- [Statewide Gateway Integration](#) is ongoing.
- Delegate Audit was completed in March.

### Upcoming Activities

- McKinley Research Group Report (attached to this report) recommended the division form a workgroup to address the considerations of the report.
- Auto-approval coming soon!

### Registration

#### Portal

Number of licensed Optometrists: 223  
Number of Optometrists with PDMP designations: 95  
Number of Optometrists with DEA registrations: 98  
Number of Optometrists directly dispensing controlled substances: 0

#### AWARxE (PDMP)

Number registered with the PDMP: 88

### 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

### 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 [Statewide Gateway!](#)