

NH PDMP Advisory Council Meeting
April 17, 2017
OPLC/NH Board of Pharmacy

Meeting Minutes

Advisory Council Members Present:

Charles Albee, DMD, NH Board of Dental Examiners (Chair pro tem)
Brooke Belanger, NH Attorney General's Office
Michael Bullek, NH Board of Pharmacy (BOP)
David DePiero, NH Hospital Association (NHHA)
Eric Hirschfeld, D.D.S, NH Dental Society (via Phone)
David Stowe, DVM, NH Board of Veterinary Medicine
Michael Viggiano, RPh, State Pharmacy Associations

Advisory Council Members Absent:

Richard Crate, NH Police Chiefs' Association (via phone)
Kate Frey, New Futures
Joseph Harding, NH Dept. of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
Denise Nies, Executive Director, NH Board of Nursing (BON)
Jonathan Stewart, Community Health Institute (CHI)
David Strang, MD, Chair, NH Medical Society (NHMS)
John Wheeler, MD, Board of Medicine (BOM)

Also Attending:

Michelle Ricco Jonas, Manager, NH PDMP
Joanie Foss, Administrative Assistant, NH PDMP
Candace Heath, Pharmacy Student (3rd year)
James Potter, New Hampshire Medical Society (NHMS)
Joseph Shoemaker, Medical Board Director (OPLC)

The meeting began at 3:05 pm

- **Introductions**
- **Review and Approve Minutes**
March 20, 2017 Meeting: No quorum present. Deferred to the April 15, 2017 meeting.
- **Sub Committee Reports**
 - **Implementation: (M. Ricco Jonas)**
 - **A. General update**
M. Ricco Jonas reported that the PDMP has had its first request for records from law enforcement. All went smoothly with this request. J. Harding asked if we have a process in place for processing law enforcement requests, in the absence of

M. Ricco Jonas? Discussion ensued. It was suggested that M. Bullek be the person who signs off on law enforcement requests in her absence. Concern was raised over a potential conflict as M. Bullek is now in charge of compliance in his new role at the BOP.

Staff continues with the work of registrations password resets, etc.

Maine should be commencing with multi-state data sharing in May.

B. Vendor migration

M. Ricco Jonas has had several meetings with Appriss/HID re: platform migration. The scheduled completion date is July 26, 2017. She was given a template of the migration plan and a meeting will be set up to discuss the registration process. A change with the new Appriss system is the providers' user name will be their email address vs. their license number (currently with HID platform). The PDMP staff is currently working on updating current registrations with user specific email addresses. M. Ricco Jonas described some of the enhancements that the new system has, including "alert" flags that will pop up when querying a patient. J. Potter suggested that a meeting be set up with the BOM to discuss what alerts would go into the system. M. Ricco Jonas stated that meetings are planned with all the State licensing boards to allow them input on this topic.

C. PDMP Funding

M. Ricco Jonas is completing the Category 5, Harold Rogers PDMP grant application for the October 2017 - September 2019 grant period. She indicated the application is strong and discussed some of the objectives and enhancement goals. The prior grant amount was \$500,000, however the current grant amount has been reduced to \$400,000. If our application is successful, it would cover salary, benefits and general costs, but this still leaves a shortfall of \$116,000. She asked that A.C. members as well as those in the public gallery, reach out to fellow constituents re: additional funds. She will send out a memo to key individuals as well. Members of the PDMP staff have been asked to contact associated lobbyists and legislators in the hopes of securing additional funding. It was suggested that, if we are unsuccessful in securing additional funds from the State, we consider asking for an increase in licensing fees for the State's practitioners.

D. PMP Objectives

Discussion took place re: maintaining good quality data, etc.

- **Evaluation: (J. Stewart: [not present])**

C. Albee asked if we have first quarter data (this quarter is mandated) regarding registration, program usage, etc. M. Ricco Jonas replied this would be available next month. If we must discuss an individual provider, we would have to go to a non-public session. Discussion ensued re: the type and quantity of medication that is sold in the State, accessing various States' wholesaler data through the DEA, etc.

- **Old Business**

New rules language goes before the BOP this month.

HB291 (bill re: veterinarian participation in the PDMP) goes before the Senate this week. In the current iteration, veterinarians still have to register with the PDMP and still have to upload if dispensing. The only change is the mandate to query the program prior to writing for a prescription.

- **New Business**

A.C. members are now required to obtain a badge when they sign in to the building and wear this when attending monthly meetings or other functions.

- **Items of Interest**

None brought forward.

- **Next Meeting**

Date/Time: May 15, 2017; 3:00 p.m.

Location: Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC)

- **Adjournment**

Motion at 4:32 p.m.

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David E. Strang MD".

David E. Strang, MD
Chairman