

Virginia's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)

Name of Program: Virginia Prescription Monitoring Program

Overseeing Agency: Department of Health Professions, Board of Pharmacy

Year Original Program Established: 2003 (pilot program); 2006 statewide program

Schedules Monitored: Schedules II, III, and IV

Average Number of Prescriptions Collected Annually: 400,000 (pilot program)

Number of Controlled Substances Dispensers: 2000

Data Collection: Twice per month

Requests for Reports: 600 per month

Who Requests Reports: 78% Physicians
19% Law Enforcement
3% Licensing Boards

Operating Costs: \$230,553 (FY2006)

Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Grants Awarded:

(Administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice)

Fiscal Years 2002, 2004, 2005, and 2006

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Website: http://www.dhp.state.va.us/dhp_programs/pmp/default.asp

Statute & Regulation Citation:

VA. CODE ANN. §§ 54.1-2519 to -2525, -2505, 2.2-3705.5 (Michie 2005)

18 VA. ADMIN. CODE §§ 76-20-10 to -60 (West 2005)

Virginia's program began as a pilot program in 2003 in one health district in Southwest Virginia, monitoring schedule II controlled substances. As of June 2006, all pharmacies, non-resident pharmacies, permitted physicians, and physicians holding a permit to sell controlled substances in the Commonwealth of Virginia are required to report all dispensing of any Schedule II, III, and IV controlled substances to Virginia's prescription monitoring program. The start-up costs for the program were \$128,000. Currently, expenses are funded by grants.

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