

## Louisiana Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Overview

A prescription monitoring program, or PMP, is an electronic database that tracks controlled substance prescriptions in a state. The PMP can provide healthcare providers real-time information about prescribing and patient behaviors that may contribute to the opioid epidemic.

A new Louisiana law (Act 76 of the 2017 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature) now requires healthcare providers to check the database before prescribing opioids to a patient and recheck it every 90 days for prescriptions that continue beyond that period to help prevent doctor shopping.

## Steps for prescribers and dispensers to sign up and access Louisiana's PMP directly:

- 1) Type https://louisiana.pmpaware.net/login in your web browser
- 2) Select Create an Account to begin the process.

## Find more information about Louisiana's PMP:

- 1) Go to the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy website at www.pharmacy.la.gov.
- 2) Click on (PMP) Prescription Monitoring Program.
- 3) Browse the available information linked on that page, including a **Quick Reference Guide** for Patient Data Search.

