



MEMORANDUM

TO: Valued STAR Providers

FROM: El Paso Health

DATE: 4/16/2024

RE: Newly Required PDMP Data Information for CMS Annual Drug Utilization Review Survey for Federal Fiscal Year 2024

The annual CMS Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Survey contains a new, required section of responses related to the Texas Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). This year's survey is for data material from Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 (Oct. 1, 2022, to Sept. 30, 2023).

CMS now requires Medicaid to report data about prescribing providers' use of PDMPs before prescribing controlled substances. Texas Medicaid obtains this information from the Texas State Board of Pharmacy but does not have access to the PDMP data. A voluntary provider survey created by HHSC will assist HHSC in gathering the required data needed to report on Texas's PDMP usage and meet federal reporting requirements for the following DUR Survey question:

1. The percentage of covered providers (as determined pursuant to a process established by the State) who checked the prescription drug history of a covered individual through a PDMP before prescribing a controlled substance to such an individual.
 - How this information was obtained (through provider survey, provider attestation, PDMP vendor report, raw PDMP data using the median, or another method).

Provider participation in the survey is requested **by April 30, 2024**.

Link to survey: [CMS DUR Annual Survey–Provider PDMP Survey](#)

If you have any questions regarding this communication please contact our Provider Relations team at 915-532-3778 or email us at ProviderRelationsDG@elpasohealth.com