



WHY DOES ARIZONA HAVE A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM? (CSPMP)

The Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program (CSPMP) is a program developed to promote the public health and welfare by detecting diversion, abuse, and misuse of prescription medications classified as controlled substances under the Arizona Uniform Controlled Substances Act. Every physician who possesses a DEA registration is required to also possess a CSPMP registration issued by the Arizona Board of Pharmacy.

- Physicians in Arizona are encouraged to access Arizona's CSPMP before prescribing a controlled substance to any patient. It's easy! Doctors can sign up for the CSPMP by going to the Arizona Board of Pharmacy's website at <https://pharmacymp.az.gov/>.

Why have a Prescription Monitoring Program?

For many in Arizona, the Prescription Monitoring program is being used as a tool that serves several purposes such as:

- support access to legitimate medical use of controlled substances,
- identify and deter or prevent drug abuse and diversion,
- facilitate and encourage the identification, intervention with and treatment of patients addicted to prescription drugs,
- inform public health initiatives through outlining of use and abuse trends,
- educate individuals about CSPMP's and the use, abuse and diversion of, and addiction to prescription drugs.

For more information, or to schedule a countywide training for healthcare providers on Arizona's CSPMP, visit <https://pharmacymp.az.gov>

