
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

- Requires, rather than permits, the State Board of Pharmacy to provide information in the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS) to the medical director of a Medicaid managed care organization and the Medicaid Director.
- Requires the Board to notify the Medicaid Director if it determines from a review of OARRS information that a provider of services under a program administered by the Department of Medicaid may have violated the law.

Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System

Access to information

(R.C. 4729.80)

Under continuing law, information contained in the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS), information obtained from OARRS, and information contained in the records of requests for information from OARRS are not public records. The act modifies the circumstances when information from OARRS may or must be released by the State Board of Pharmacy. Prior law permitted the Board to provide information to the medical director of a Medicaid managed care organization, if the information relates to a Medicaid recipient enrolled in the managed care organization. The act instead requires the Board to provide this information, including information related to prescriptions for the recipient that were not covered or reimbursed under a program administered by the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM).

Prior law permitted the Board to provide information to the Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), if the information related to a recipient of an ODJFS-administered program, such as Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Ohio Works First, and unemployment compensation. The act modifies this provision by requiring the Board to provide information to the Medicaid Director if the information relates to a recipient of an ODM-administered program (such as Medicaid and CHIP), including information related to prescriptions for the recipient that were not covered or reimbursed the program. The act eliminates the Board's authority to provide OARRS information to the ODJFS Director.



Notification to ODM Director

(R.C. 4729.81)

Continuing law requires the Board to review OARRS information and, if it determines that a violation of law may have occurred, requires the Board to notify the appropriate law enforcement agency or government entity responsible for the licensure, regulation, or discipline of licensed health professionals authorized to prescribe drugs. The act requires, in addition, that the Board notify the Medicaid Director if it determines from its review of OARRS information that a violation of law may have been committed by a provider of services under an ODM-administered program.

