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## 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 an ODM-administered program may have violated the law.

### Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS)

(R.C. 4729.80 and 4729.81)

#### Access to information

Information contained in the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS), information obtained from it, and information contained in the records of requests for information from OARRS are not public records. The bill modifies the circumstances when information from OARRS may or must be released by the State Board of Pharmacy. Current law permits 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 bill instead *requires* the Board to provide this information, including information related to prescriptions for the recipient that were not covered or reimbursed under an ODM-administered program.

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

#### Notification to ODM Director

Current law requires the Board to review information in OARRS and, if it determines that a violation of law may have occurred, the Board must 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 bill 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.

