



NEWSLETTER

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Wyoming Medication Donation Program

Program Updates:

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- * WMDP at the central location is resuming its PAP services to current eligible patients. Prescription assistance programs (PAP's) are free or low-cost drug programs operated by drug manufacturers.
- * These programs allow eligible patients to receive their prescriptions directly from the drug makers for up to a year after the initial application approval.
- * WMDP helps current patients to enroll in these programs by facilitating the PAP process; we coordinate between the patient, doctor's office, and drug manufacturer to ensure that all sections of the application are properly completed and all required documentation is present.
- * Our PAP services have been on-hold in 2021 due to staffing insecurities, but we just resumed this service in August 2021.

Current Program Statistics:

- * WMDP recently submitted our annual statistics report to the Department of Health and Wyoming Legislature. Here are some highlights:
 - * Total number of patients served = 2,163 (7% increase from last year)
 - * Medication adherence rate (from the central location) = 90% (highest of all time)
 - * Number of prescriptions filled = 13,237 (13.5% increase from last year)
 - * Drug disposal (in pounds) = 1,890 (23.7% decrease from last year)

Attention Dispensing Sites!

WMDP has updated quarterly report forms. The updated quarterly report form focuses on only 3 reporting metrics: # patients served, # Rx's filled with donated meds, and % of total Rx services. WMDP has found these are the three most important statistics when reporting to the legislature on program performance.



Growth Initiatives:

- * While last year's statistics are in good shape, the Department of Health would like to see the program expand its reach into more Wyoming communities, particularly with help from Dispensing Sites (locations in Wyoming that are registered with WMDP).
- * Dispensing Sites receive donated drug items from WMDP's central location in Cheyenne via mail at no cost. Once items are received, the site re-dispenses the drug items to qualified patients. Dispensing sites are responsible for processing patient eligibility (forms are provided by WMDP) and items must be retained for 2 years by the site. Sites also report quarterly statistic numbers to the program manager for legislative reporting; statistics include the number of patients served, number of Rx's filled, and % of Rx services.
- * If you know of any healthcare facilities (primarily pharmacies, doctor's offices, or clinics) that would be interested in becoming a dispensing site, please let us know!

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