

Kentucky Statewide Opioid Stewardship (KY SOS)

October Newsletter

Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) – Data Center Produces Kentucky’s Growing Mental Health Crisis Report

KHA’s Data Center has timely and accurate data information and resources for KHA members. With growing mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) concerns for Kentuckians during a time of uncertainty, self-isolation and societal shut downs, KHA has produced a mental health crisis report to give hospital leaders and Kentucky legislators an idea of how COVID-19 impacted the mental health of Kentuckians. This report focuses on suicide and substance use disorder. Even with the decrease in emergency room utilization due to hesitation brought on by COVID-19, 53% of emergency department visits were related to a mental health diagnosis.

To access Kentucky’s Growing Mental Health Crisis Report, please click [here](#).

KY SOS is Hiring!

KY SOS is hiring an Inpatient Pharmacy Consultant to provide support to KY SOS as the program continues to grow! This is a part-time contract position with responsibilities that include, but not limited to, promoting hospital participation, hosting educational webinars and providing technical assistance as requested by hospitals. A full job description can be found [here](#).

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Warns Against Fake Prescription Pills Containing Fentanyl and Methamphetamine

DEA warns the American public of a sharp increase in fake prescription pills containing fentanyl and methamphetamine. Criminal drug networks are mass-producing fake pills with potentially lethal amounts of amounts of fentanyl in them. The DEA has issued a public safety alert along with a counterfeit pill fact sheet. These documents can be found here:

http://www.kentuckysos.com/Portals/2/Documents/DEA_Fact_Sheet-Counterfeit_Pills.pdf and
<http://www.kentuckysos.com/Portals/2/Documents/2021DEAPublicSafetyAlert.pdf>

DEA to Hold the National Prescription Drug Take Back



The 21st DEA National Drug Take Back Day is **October 23, 2021** at 10:00 AM. The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day raises awareness of a critical public safety and public health concern by encouraging people to recycle their prescription drugs. According to the 2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 9.7 million people misused prescription pain relievers, 4.9 million people misused prescription stimulants, and 5.9 million people misused prescription tranquilizers or sedatives. The survey also showed that a majority of misused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from the home medicine cabinet. National Drug Take Back Day has been able to assist with the proper disposal of 14,524,391 pounds of prescription drugs since the very first Take Back Day on September 25th, 2010. These targeted DEA Drug Take Back Days occur in April and October annually. Find more information on the DEA Drug Take Back Day website: <https://takebackday.dea.gov/>.

Kentucky Specific Information from the last DEA National Drug Take Back Day on April 24th, 2021:

Law Enforcement Participation: 75

Collection Sites: 54

Total Weight Collected: 11,984 pounds

Total Weight Collected All Time: 191,212 pounds.

Unable to participate on 10/23, please visit the following link for year-round drug disposal collectors:

[Prescription Drug Disposal Locations - Office of Drug Control Policy \(ky.gov\)](#)

Download Posters, handouts, and other materials to promote National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day:

<https://takebackday.dea.gov/content/partnership-toolbox>

Please use the materials above to educate your patients, staff, and community about the importance of DEA Drug Take Back Day. The content can be incorporated in discharge papers, counseling materials, newsletters, emails, as well as displayed in workplaces. Please share photos of your efforts on this day, October 23rd, so that we may continue to raise awareness about the significance and impact of this important event.

KASPER

KASPER... Did you know?

KASPER Prescriber Report Card summarizes practitioners prescribing practices and how they compare with others in their specialty area.

KASPER Prescriber Report Card

Annual Report Card for 2013

Prepared for: [REDACTED]

- Specialty Area: Obstetrics and Gynecology (561 specialists statewide)
- DEA number: included in this report: [REDACTED]
- Calculations based on 82 patients during this period who filled a controlled substance prescription or refill that you prescribed
- All calculations exclude controlled substance compounds

Your Numbers

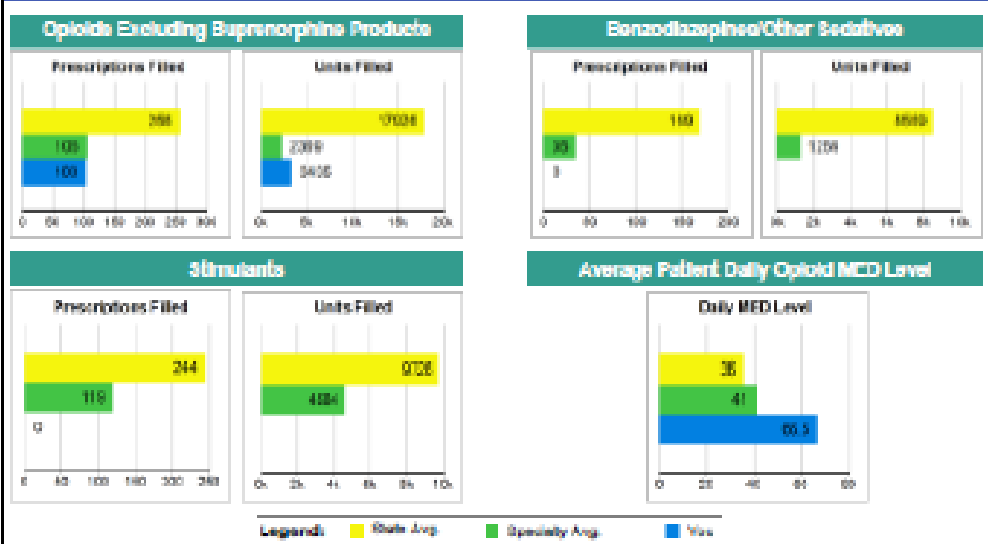
Number/Percent of your Controlled Substance Patients who filled your prescription for:

Benzodiazepines/Other Sedatives	0 (0.00 %)	Opioid Analgesics	85 (52.35 %)
Stimulants	0 (0.00 %)	Buprenorphine Products for MAT	0 (0.00 %)

Your Patients Potentially at Risk



Your Comparison to Specialty and Statewide Averages



Class A Misdemeanor and Felony Drug Conviction Charges Can Be Linked to and Displayed on KASPER Reports

-If requested, if available, and if matched

Approx. 8% of KASPER queries include a request for previous drug conviction data

Patient Name: **Drug Enforcement Branch - KASPER**
Patient Controlled Substance Report
 Between 04/10/2017 and 04/10/2018

Requestor Name :
Request # : 38

Information received from KYCourts/CourtNet/AR is subject to change, reprogramming, modification of format and availability at the direction of the Office of the Courts (AOC), and may not at any particular moment reflect the true status of court cases due to ordinary limitations, delays or errors in operation. The KYCourts/CourtNet/AR database is not a real-time system. All datasets are a snapshot of case data at the time a query is run. The AOC disclaims any warranties as to the validity of the information obtained from KYCourts/CourtNet/AR. The recipient is solely responsible for information received from KYCourts/CourtNet/AR through the cross-referencing of official court records. The AOC shall not be liable to the recipient party using the system or information obtained therefrom, for any damages whatsoever arising out of the use of KYCourts/CourtNet/AR. Questions regarding information provided should be directed to the Circuit Court Clerk in the county of record. Contact information may be located at courts.ky.gov/courts/clerks.

Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	
15-CR-000	BARREN		F	##-###-	V	1979	GLASGOW, KY	
UOR description							Disposition	Charge Dispo
MANUFACTURING METHAMPHETAMINE, 1ST OFFENSE							GUILTY	03-08-2016
Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	
15-CR-000	BARREN		F	##-###-	V	1979	GLASGOW, KY	
UOR description							Disposition	Charge Dispo
TICS, 1ST DEGREE, 1ST OFFENSE (< 2 GMS METHAMPHETAMINE)							GUILTY	03-08-2016
Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	
15-CR-000	BARREN		F	##-###-	V	1979	GLASGOW, KY	
UOR description							Disposition	Charge Dispo
POSS CONT SUB, 1ST DEGREE, 1ST OFF (METHAMPHETAMINE)							GUILTY	03-08-2016
Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	
15-CR-000	BARREN		F	##-###-	V	1979	GLASGOW, KY	
UOR description							Disposition	Charge Dispo
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA - BUY/POSSESS							GUILTY	03-08-2016
Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	
15-CR-000	BARREN		F	##-###-	V	1979	GLASGOW, KY	
UOR description							Disposition	Charge Dispo
POSS OF MARIJUANA							GUILTY	03-08-2016
Case #	County	Name (Last Name, First, MI)	Sex	SSN	Drivers License	Birth Year	City, State Zip	

* The information in this report is based upon Schedule II through V controlled substance records reported by dispensers. Data should appear on KASPER reports within two to three business days after dispenser reporting. The results listed in the report are based on the patient identification information entered by the requestor and may not reflect all cases reported to the system by the patient's pharmacy.

KASPER can also show Informed Interstate Data Sharing

–Mathematical and geographical algorithm automatically suggests other states’ PDMP to query

Kentucky.gov eKASPER (Local Environment)

KENTUCKY
CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
KENTUCKY ALL SCHEDULE PRESCRIPTION ELECTRONIC REPORTING

Request Report
Summary Report
Status of Request
Administration
Account Registration
Account Maintenance
NDC Maintenance
Pharmacy Maintenance
Prescriber Maintenance
EPCS Prescriber Waiver

For technical support please contact KASPER Helpdesk at 502-564-2703

KASPER Account Number and

Other States Selection

Suggestions for Other State Selection
Based on your location and patient address, the following states are suggested for interstate requests:

Suggested States:
IN - Indiana, MI - Michigan

**Analysis is based on the dispensed prescription records within the KASPER system. This analysis should not supersede other information you may have regarding the patient and interstate dispenses.*

Other States

Select Suggested States Clear All

AK AL AR AZ CA CO CT DC DE FL
 GA GU HI IA ID IL IN KS LA MA
 MD ME MI MN MO MS MT NC ND NE
 NH NJ NM NV NY OH OK OR PA RI
 SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WY

Accept Cancel

**Grayed out states are not currently available.
The more states selected, the longer it may take to process your report request.

Learn more about KASPER enhancements and features from KY SOS September 28th webinar presented by Dr. Adam Berrones. Berrones is a KASPER Epidemiologist at the KY Office of Inspector General, Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Review the presentation slides and recording on the KY SOS website, www.kentuckysos.com. The presentation is entitled KASPER, Drug Overdoses, and Pandemic Prescribing. Please direct specific questions to Dr. Berrones, aberrones@ky.gov.

KY SOS's Emily Henderson Receives KSHP President's Award

KHA Pharmacy Consultant **Emily C. Henderson**, PharmD, LDE was honored by the Kentucky Society of Health-System Pharmacists (KSHP) recently with their President's Award. Henderson has served as an important liaison between KHA and KSHP, and helped develop a strong relationship between the two associations.

As health system pharmacists are recognized as a vital health care provider and resource of hospitals in Kentucky, the relationship between KSHP and KHA is important in meeting mutual goals for best care for the patients of Kentucky. KHA and KSHP recently collaborated in the support of two important legislative issues, Senate Bill 50 (including a non-discriminatory clause to protect 340B entities) and House Bill 48 (for the reimbursement for pharmacist services). With both advocacy efforts, Henderson was instrumental in helping push KSHP communications to KHA membership.

The two organizations will once again collaborate in the spring of 2022 when KSHP hosts its Spring Meeting in conjunction with the KHA Annual Convention. KSHP President **Tina Claypool**, PharmD, CDCES thanked Henderson and recognized her for her continual commitment to KSHP and helping advance health-system pharmacies in Kentucky.

Additional Resources on KY SOS Website

- Find Help Now KY is a website used to assist individuals in the community find an addiction treatment facility. For more information, visit the website at www.findhelpnowky.org
- Kentucky Opioid Response Effort (KORE) has funded access to treatment and recovery for individuals who have a functional hearing loss and need effective communication. The guidelines can be found on the KY SOS website or click the link to be directed: <http://www.kentuckysos.com/Portals/2/Documents/KOREGuidelinesDeafHardofHearingAccessdoc.pdf>
- All other KY SOS resources can be found at <http://www.kentuckysos.com/Resources>

Data Update

KY SOS continues to encourage all facilities to submit their monthly data into KY Quality Counts (KQC). Please continue to report **monthly** data on both the process and outcomes measures. Education and the future of the program are based in part on the data reported. Areas of improvement and areas of success will be highlighted and emphasized as KY SOS continues. If you need assistance with data input or navigation of the KQC data collection system, please contact **Emily Henderson** (ehenderson@kyha.com) or **Melanie Moch** (mmoch@kyha.com).

The Happenings

Upcoming Events/Webinars

- **KY SOS October Webinar** – Alex Elswick, co-founder for Voices for Hope and KY SOS Advisory Committee member, will present on navigating substance use disorder and recovery during the holidays, from a patient perspective. The webinar will be presented on October 26 from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST. Calendar invites will be sent closer to date.

Zoom Information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88341083027?pwd=Sjh3SG9vcXd6ZXgxSkNXMUhDUTNXZz09>

Meeting ID: 883 4108 3027

Passcode: 2501

For more information, please visit www.kentuckysos.com or contact a KHA staff member to assist.

Emily Henderson for program and pharmacy-related questions– ehenderson@kyha.com

Melanie Moch for data-related questions – mmoch@kyha.com

Claire Arant for administrative assistance – carant@kyha.com

Missed a webinar? All presentations are recorded and can be found under the events & education link.