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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND
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Dear licensees and interested parties:

In 2016, the Alaska State Legislature enacted SB74, expanding the requirements for registration with and participation in the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). **By July 17, 2017, all practitioners with a DEA number and all pharmacists dispensing controlled substances must register and utilize the PDMP according to state law.** Practitioners include physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, optometrists, dentists, and veterinarians. **Information about these requirements is located on the home pages of each licensing board's web site at professionallicense.alaska.gov,** and details were mailed this summer to the addresses of record for each licensee required to participate.

You are receiving this notification because the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing proposes to establish registration fees to help cover the cost of the PDMP according to AS 17.30.200. Per state law, fees must be set so that the total amount of fees collected by the department equals the total operational costs of the database minus all federal funds and grants acquired for the operational costs of the database.

The proposed fee amounts are enclosed and can also be found on the home pages of each licensing board's web site at professionallicense.alaska.gov.

This fee proposal is entering a public comment period. The division encourages all licensees and interested parties to comment on this proposal through the division's regulations specialist, whose contact information is enclosed on the public notice. After the comment period closes and the division reviews all comments received, the division may adopt the regulation as drafted, may amend a proposed fee, or may withdraw the regulations in part or in its whole.

All comments received will be reviewed and taken into consideration prior to adopting the final regulations. The final decision will result in the fee to be implemented during the next licensing renewal.

Follow the instructions enclosed to make written comments during the public comment period. Comments must be addressed to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811, or RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov. Please visit your board's web page for additional information on the PDMP registration and participation requirements for your license type.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Janey Hovenden".

Janey Hovenden
Director

Encl.

Chapter 02. General Occupational Licensing Functions.

12 AAC 02 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 02.107. Prescription drug monitoring program controlled substance prescription database registration. The following fees are established for registration with the database by a pharmacist who dispenses, or a practitioner who prescribes, administers, or directly dispenses a scheduled II, III, or IV controlled substance under federal law as required under AS 17.30.200:

- (1) initial registration fee, \$50;
- (2) biennial registration renewal fee, \$50. (Eff. ___/___/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.01.065 AS 17.30.200