#### VIRGINIA PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM

## PROGRESS TOWARDS SAFER PRESCRIBING:

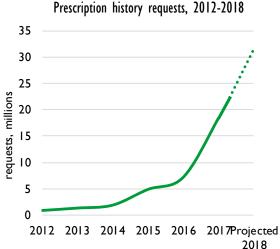
## Utilization of the PMP Database

**AUTHORIZED** users of the PMP are able to search within the database for a patient's prescription history and each search is referred to as a request. In addition to PMP database access via a web-based application, PMP data can also be integrated into electronic health records (EHR) and pharmacy software applications (PSA) for visibility within the clinical workflow. Integration within the workflow is a significant advancement in ease of use and efficiency and has contributed positively to overall utilization.



#### **Prescription history requests**

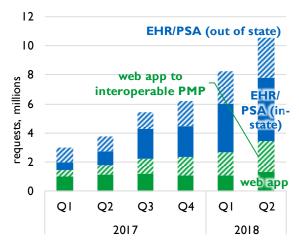
PMP use by prescribers, pharmacists, and their delegates as a risk management tool continues to increase in support of safer prescribing. Requests for a patient's prescription history have grown exponentially in recent years. More specifically, quarterly use nearly quadrupled by mid-2018 compared to early 2017 (1.9 million to 7.8 million). This rapid rise in utilization of the PMP is primarily the result of expansions in integration within the EHR/PSA. By the end of 2018, PMP requests are expected to nearly double compared to 2017 (18 million) and exceed 33 million.



Requests for a patient's prescription history increased 37x over six years

Requests through an integrated EHR/PSA connection instate increased nine-fold by mid-2018 compared to early 2017. Additionally, EHR/PSA requests by out of state users for Virginia residents' prescription history nearly tripled in the same period.

Prescription history requests by type, January 2017-June 2018



Volume increase in requests by type: web-based application, 37%; web-based application to interoperable PMP, 4.4x; EHR/PSA (instate), 9x; EHR/PSA (out of state), 2.7x

Integration within the workflow is a significant advancement in ease of use and efficiency



### Interoperability

At present, interoperability allows users of Virginia's PMP to access a patient's prescription history from 30 other states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

Virginia PMP interoperability, December 2018



Puerto Rico not pictured

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