

## **New Law on Prescription Monitoring Program in Effect**

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As outlined in a member-wide broadcast e-mail on 12/14/2017, Effective January 1, 2018, each prescriber possessing an Illinois Controlled Substance License must register with the [Prescription Monitoring Program](#) (PMP). Those dentists seeking initial licensing within the state of Illinois must register with the PMP as part of their licensure application process when applying for a Controlled Substance License. When visiting the Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program homepage, **click on the Help and Frequently Asked Questions** tab. Under this tab, you will find links to [How-To Videos](#) on the overview of the PMP, registration, and logging into the program. You may also submit questions on the PMP Questions Form or by calling 217/524-1311. [Current PMP Rules](#) specifically define in Section 2080.210 (c) as to who may be an authorized designee. Dental hygienists or unlicensed healthcare professionals cannot access the PMP on behalf of the Controlled Substance licensee. For information regarding the [Dentist Controlled Substance License Application](#), visit the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) website. In June, when IDFPR issues dental license renewal notices, dentists are expected to have already registered with PMP.