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State Launches CURES 2.0 and Streamlined Registration System

Attorney General Kamala D. Harris Launches
New Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, CURES 2.0

The Department of Justice (DOJ) launched an upgrade to the California prescription drug monitoring program database, the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES), effective January 08, 2016. It is being referred to as "CURES 2.0".

This upgraded database promises a significantly improved user experience and features a number of added functionalities, including the ability to delegate report queries and new practitioner-identified patient alerts. Physicians still using older browsers will be routed to the old CURES 1.0 interface, which will remain available for an indeterminate period during the transition.

The new database includes a streamlined registration process for new users and enables licensed health care prescribers and pharmacists to request access to CURES, and validate their credentials, entirely online using a secure web browser.

All individuals practicing in California who possess both a state license authorized to prescribe, dispense, furnish or order controlled substances and a Drug Enforcement Administration Controlled Substance Registration Certificate must be registered to use CURES no later than July 1, 2016. To register using the new automated system, visit http://oag.ca.gov/cures.