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TO: ALL CURES USERS

RE: NEW OPTIMIZED CURES

In April 2022, the Department of Justice will release an optimized Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES). CURES will be updated to provide an improved user interface and new system features, including functionality mandated through recent legislation. While many of the new features will be seamless and easy to use, there will be a few changes that will be further explained in future communications. In the coming months, additional information will be provided about resultant changes from this optimization effort.

The following features will be included in the optimized CURES web application and/or CURES Information Exchange Web Service (IEWS):

- Expanded **delegate access** to CURES data.
- **Non-DEA licensed physician and surgeon practitioner access** to CURES data.
- **Interstate search** functionality for prescribers, pharmacists, non-DEA licensed physician and surgeon practitioners, and delegates.
- Inclusion of **prescription form serial number** on Patient Activity Reports (PAR).
- Distinction between human and **animal dispensation** records on the PAR.
- Indicator showing a prescription is a component of a **compound drug**.
- **Improved PAR search** functionality for the previous 24 months of patient prescription dispensation history for prescribers, pharmacists, non-DEA licensed physician and surgeon practitioners, and delegates.
- Inclusion of **morphine milligram equivalents (MME)** information and additional prescriber and pharmacy/dispenser details.
- Ability to **verify a serialized prescription form** was reported as printed by an authorized security prescription printer, and/or reported as lost/stolen by the prescriber, and/or dispensed by a pharmacy/dispenser.
- **New dashboard features** to streamline PAR searches and account management.
- **Improved self-service password reset** process.

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