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**Board of Pharmacy Announces New Website for Prescription Monitoring Program  
*Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System Website Gets an Updated Look and New Features***

October 14, 2015 - Columbus, Ohio – The State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy announced the launch of its redesigned website for the state’s prescription monitoring program, known as the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS). A fresh design, new features and improved navigation offers visitors to [oarrs.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://oarrs.pharmacy.ohio.gov) a better user experience.

The website is more user-friendly, with content that helps OARRS account holders maximize the information contained in the system. This includes an updated frequently asked questions section and three new training videos that take users through the process of registering for an account, running a patient report and reviewing the information contained within an OARRS report. Additionally, the site contains a new statistics feature that allows anyone to create custom reports and maps based on aggregate data collected in OARRS.

"OARRS has become an essential tool in the fight against prescription drug abuse and we felt a new website was needed to improve functionality and the overall user experience," said Steven W. Schierholt, Esq., Executive Director. "The improved website reflects the Board’s commitment to making OARRS one of the best prescription monitoring programs in the country."

Established in 2006, OARRS is the only statewide database that collects information on all prescriptions for controlled substances that are dispensed by pharmacies and personally furnished by licensed prescribers in Ohio. OARRS data is available to prescribers when they treat patients, pharmacists when presented with prescriptions from patients and law enforcement officers only during active investigations.

For more information on OARRS, please visit: [oarrs.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://oarrs.pharmacy.ohio.gov)

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