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SPECIAL NOTICE – EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

TO: All qualifying pharmacists and pharmacy managers, pharmacy locations and chains, and software vendors
RE: INSPECT system upgrade; file formatting changes and requirements

This letter is to inform you of the new formatting and system upgrade changes that INSPECT, Indiana's prescription monitoring program, will be implementing along with the go-live date for this transition. All pharmacy locations and chains must report their controlled substance prescription data in the newly required ASAP 2007 format after the system upgrade occurs to remain compliant with Indiana statute.

Enclosed you will find the technical specifications for the ASAP 2007 format, along with the new program reporting manual. Pharmacy software used to report data to INSPECT will need to be reviewed and/or reformatted to meet the new specifications. **The go-live date for this transition is 12/1/2010.** Please share this information with your pharmacy software vendor or IT team, so that the required changes can be completed. To receive a copy of an ASAP 2007 demo file, please email inspect@pla.in.gov with the subject line, "Demo File Request." Copies of these materials will also be posted to the INSPECT homepage at: www.in.gov/inspect.

INSPECT's online web application, the PMP WebCenter, will also be upgraded during this time. INSPECT will not be able to accept data in the ASAP 2007 format or test run file submissions until after this upgrade occurs. **The implementation period will occur from 11/23-12/1. During this time, INSPECT will not be able to accept pharmacy data uploads or new registrations.** Users will still be able to log on and search INSPECT for patient history records during this time, but no new data can be uploaded from dispensing pharmacies until the implementation period is over. After the online upgrade has been completed on 12/1, INSPECT will then be able to accept data in the new ASAP 2007 format, as well as accept user new registrations.

Compliance monitoring will be temporarily suspended to give uploading facilities a chance to reformat their software and data submission files. **Compliance monitoring will resume in full by 4/1/2011, so it is imperative that facilities take this time to shift to the new ASAP 2007 reporting format.** This gives all reporting entities a 120-day grace period from the go-live date until compliance monitoring resumes, which should be sufficient time to ensure that the pharmacy software is reformatted correctly. Please contact inspect@pla.in.gov with any questions.

IC 35-48-7-8 (1) states, "Each time a controlled substance is designated by the advisory committee under IC 35-48-2-5 through IC 35-48-2-10 is dispensed; the dispenser shall transmit to the central repository…"

IC 35-48-7-8 (2) states, "The information is required to be transmitted under this section must be transmitted not more than seven (7) days after the date on which the controlled substance is dispensed."

It is the responsibility of the qualifying pharmacist to ensure that the facility is in compliance with all applicable legal requirements. Please direct inquiries to our office by email to inspect@pla.in.gov.

Sincerely,

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INSPECT Program Director