

# **Terms and Conditions for a Medical Resident with Prescriptive Authority User of the Massachusetts Prescription Awareness Tool**

By electing to become a Medical Resident with Prescriptive Authority User of the Massachusetts Prescription Awareness Tool (MassPAT), you agree to abide by the requirements governing the Prescription Monitoring Program at 105 CMR 700.012 and any other applicable requirements, including, but not necessarily limited to:

1) You attest to the following:

- i. You have a professional work relationship with the health care professional(s) who is the Primary Account Holder. The Primary Account Holder approved your access to MassPAT. Though not required, the Primary Account Holder has the ability to audit the searches that you conduct on the Primary Account Holder's behalf (when you select their name from a dropdown menu).
- ii. You will not provide your login credentials (i.e., username, password, Personal Identification Number or any other security information) to anyone else.
- iii. You are responsible for promptly notifying the Office of Prescription Monitoring and Drug Control of any changes to your enrollment information (e.g., changes to name, email address, license or registration number).
- iv. You are responsible for promptly notifying all of your Primary Account Holder(s) and the Office of Prescription Monitoring and Drug Control of any compromise of your login credentials.

2) You acknowledge that you understand the following:

- i. You are responsible for proper utilization of MassPAT. This includes knowledge of and compliance with the proper use of MassPAT and applicable state and federal laws governing confidentiality and security of personal/patient information, including, if applicable, the Privacy Rule of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).
- ii. Your resident account is associated with the Primary Account Holder's MassPAT account.
- iii. When accessing patient prescription histories from MassPAT on behalf of the Primary Account Holder, you are required to use your unique log-in credentials.
- iv. You must promptly notify the Department of any potential violation of confidentiality or use of the data in a manner contrary to laws, regulations or applicable professional standards.
- v. Usage of MassPAT is recorded and the Office of Prescription Monitoring and Drug Control may monitor your activity in MassPAT. Your right to use the system may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Department.
- vi. Data are being provided for your use by the Primary Account Holder who represents the hospital at which you work for the purpose of safe prescribing and dispensing, including assessing or preventing the possibility of drug abuse or diversion.
- vii. The Department may revise these Terms and Conditions from time to time. You will be notified in writing of any change and your continued use of MassPAT after such notice shall constitute your acceptance of the new Terms and Conditions.

## FACT SHEET FOR PRIMARY ACCOUNT HOLDERS AND RESIDENTS

In August 2013, statutory language was added to M.G.L Chapter 94C 24A to allow prescribers and dispensers, enrolled in the MA Online PMP, to have authorized support staff obtain patient prescription information from MassPAT on their behalf. An authorized delegate can assist health care providers in a busy practice or pharmacy by performing the queries for individual patients and loading files to run a batch look-up. For purposes of allowing interns and residents to use MassPAT as part of carrying out their responsibilities within a healthcare facility, the Department permits interns and residents to become delegates of their hospital.

Prescription records are protected health information and proper use of MassPAT is the responsibility of the resident and the hospital for which they are querying MassPAT. Primary Account Holders who supervise residents have the right to request the audit records for their authorized residents.

For questions about status of an enrollment, email: [mapmp.dph@state.ma.us](mailto:mapmp.dph@state.ma.us)

For technical questions, email: [mapmp.dph@state.ma.us](mailto:mapmp.dph@state.ma.us)

For assistance with MassPAT: 1-855-562-4767