PDAPS
Prescription Drug Abuse Policy System

Codebook for Direct Dispensing of Controlled Substances Laws

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This dataset examines statutes and regulations on the dispensing of a controlled substance by physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners to their patients in an office setting. Generally, a physician is permitted to directly dispense controlled substances during the normal practice of medicine after securing any required certificates or registrations. States laws can restrict physician direct dispensing in a number of ways including restrictions on supply, how physicians can charge, and whether physician's can delegate dispensing authority. States also vary on what kinds of practitioners, other than physicians, can dispense. This dataset highlights these differences among state direct dispensing laws. This dataset is cross-sectional, capturing currently effective law valid through October 1, 2017.

There are six standard variables in every PDAPS dataset. They are:

ID:
An identification code generated by the MonQcle.

FIPS CODE:
The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) codes are a standardized set of numeric codes issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology to ensure uniform identification of geographic entities through all federal government agencies.

JURISDICTION:
This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

EFFECTIVE DATE:
This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

VALID THROUGH DATE:
This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the last date the policy was in effect as reflected by the legal text captured to code this policy.

LEGAL TEXT:
This is a text box that captures all legal text relevant to the coding questions. This will not download into Microsoft Excel

Question 1:	**Are Physicians expressly granted the authority to directly dispense controlled substances to patients?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Law
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 2:	**Are there restrictions on how large of a supply a physician may dispense?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Prestsupp
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 3:	**Are there any restrictions on charging for directly dispensed drugs?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Pcharge
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 4:	**How are physicians restricted from charging for drugs?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pchargemeth_Prohibited from charging for manufacturer samples
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 5:	**How are physicians restricted from charging for drugs?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply

Variable Name:	DD_Pchargemeth_Prohibited from charging more than a percentage of cost as an administrative fee
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 6:	**How are physicians restricted from charging for drugs?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pchargemeth_Prohibited from charging above the acquisition cost
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 7:	**How are physicians restricted from charging for drugs?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pchargemeth_Other
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 8:	**Are physicians limited to only dispensing to their own patients?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_OwnPat
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 9:	**Are physicians required to provide information to the patient about the availability of drugs elsewhere?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Pinfo

Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 10:	**Are physicians permitted to delegate dispensing to other employees?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Pdel
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 11:	**To whom may a physician delegate direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pdelwhom_Pharmacy Technician
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 12:	**To whom may a physician delegate direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pdelwhom_Registered Nurse
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 13:	**To whom may a physician delegate direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pdelwhom_Physician Assistant
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 14:	**To whom may a physician delegate direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pdelwhom_Not specified
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 15:	**Are physicians required to register with a state agency or professional board prior to direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_Preg
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 16:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Medical Board
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 17:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Board of Pharmacy
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 18:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply

Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Board of Physicians
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 19:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Consumer Protection
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 20:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 21:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Health and Environmental Control
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 22:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Health and Human Services
Variable Values:	0, 1

Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 23:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Health and Senior Services
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 24:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Law and Public Safety
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 25:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of Public Health
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 26:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Department of State
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 27:	**What board is the physician required to register with?**

Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_Pregbd_Other
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 28:	**Are Nurse Practitioners authorized to directly dispense controlled substances?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_NP
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 29:	**Are nurse practitioners limited to only dispensing manufacturer samples?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_NPsamp
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 30:	**Are nurse practitioners required to participate in a written agreement with a physician in order to directly dispense?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_NPagree
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 31:	**Are nurse practitioners required to register for direct dispensing?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive

Variable Name:	DD_NPagreereq
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 32:	**Are Physician Assistants authorized to directly dispense controlled substances?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_PA
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 33:	**Are Physician Assistants limited to dispensing medications to the extent the supervising physician authorizes?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_PAlimit
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 34:	**Are practitioners regulated differently based on the geographic location of their office?**
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	DD_PArur
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 35:	**Which office locations are regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive

Variable Name:	DD_PAregmeth
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2, 3
Value Label:	0 = Offices in a rural areas
Value Label:	1 = Offices a specific distance from a pharmacy
Value Label:	2 = Offices not reasonably available
Value Label:	3 = Other
Question 36:	**How are these offices regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_PAreg_Practitioner is permitted to dispense
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 37:	**How are these offices regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_PAreg_Practitioner not subject to supply limit of drugs dispensed
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 38:	**How are these offices regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_PAreg_Practitioner not subject to price limit for charging for drugs
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 39:	**How are these offices regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_PAreg_Practitioner need not be licensed by Board of Pharmacy

Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 40:	**How are these offices regulated differently?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	DD_PAreg_Other
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes