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**MEIJER PHARMACY JOINS STATEWIDE INTEGRATION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM
DATA INTO ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS**

Indianapolis, IN—The Indiana Professional Licensing Agency (IPLA) took an important step to advance its statewide integration initiative by partnering with Meijer Pharmacy. With this new partnerships, the IPLA continues the work it began in 2016, to provide direct and efficient access to INSPECT data for Indiana health organizations statewide.

INSPECT, Indiana’s Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, collects vital information on the prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances. This information can be used by clinicians and pharmacists at every encounter to inform and educate patients on their prescriptions.

IPLA began the statewide integration project back in 2016 when it first partnered with Apriss Health to examine how to make INSPECT data more effective and accessible for healthcare practitioners. In the following year, the IPLA introduced two pilot programs which successfully improved work flow for users and provided more information during patient encounters.

For pharmacies like Meijer Pharmacy, the integration of INSPECT data means a readily available report which will condense the data search process from three to five minutes to mere seconds, providing a fast and effective means to check a patient’s controlled substance prescription history.

“Meijer is greatly looking forward to integrating its pharmacy management systems in Indiana,” said Karen Mankowski, Vice President of Pharmacy Operations. “INSPECT is an important tool our pharmacists use. Improving the efficiency and access to INSPECT will better serve our team members, prescribers, patients, and communities.”

“The statewide integration initiative is one step toward reducing prescription drug addiction, and I applaud Meijer Pharmacy for tackling this issue head on,” said Deborah Frye, IPLA Executive Director. “I look forward to developing additional partnerships across the state to equip medical professionals with the tools needed to assist their patients.”

For more information on INSPECT please visit the professional licensing agency website at [INSPECT/pla.in.gov](https://inspect.pla.in.gov). To find out more about the PDMP vendor, Appriss Health, visit their website at apprisshealth.com.

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