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1 Document Overview

Purpose and Contents

The *RxSentry® Training Guide for North Carolina Practitioners* serves as a step-by-step training guide for medical practitioners and prescribers using RxSentry for querying purposes. It includes such topics as:

- Creating query requests
- Viewing query request status
- Generating reports

**Note:** An electronic copy of this guide is also available for viewing or downloading on the RxSentry website.
2 System Overview

About the RxSentry Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

The RxSentry Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is a Web-based system that facilitates the collection, analysis, and reporting of information on the prescribing, dispensing, and use of prescription drugs.

The system materially assists state regulators and practitioners authorized to prescribe and dispense controlled substances in the prevention of diversion, abuse, and misuse of controlled substance prescription medication.

The use of data collected through RxSentry allows for the provision of education and information, early intervention, prevention of diversion, investigation, and enforcement of existing laws governing the use of controlled substances.

This state-of-the-art system serves as a valuable tool in the effort to protect the health and welfare of our citizens by reducing the abuse of prescription drugs.

Note: For the purposes of this document, the RxSentry Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is referred to as RxSentry.
3 Accessing RxSentry

About This Chapter

This chapter provides the steps you must follow to log in to RxSentry, retrieve system messages, register for a delegate account, and link delegate accounts.

Log In to RxSentry

Perform the following steps to log in to RxSentry:

1. Open an Internet browser window and type the following URL in the address bar: https://nccrsrph.hidinc.com. A login window is displayed:

   ![Login Window](image)

2. Type your user name in the User Name field.
3. Type your password in the Password field.
4. Click OK. The RxSentry home page is displayed:

   ![RxSentry Home Page](image)

The left side of window contains the RxSentry menu, and the right side of the window contains the results of the menu function selected.

**Note:** If desired, click the **NC CSRS Information Website** link on the RxSentry home page for more information about the North Carolina Controlled Substance Reporting System.
System Message and Alerts

Periodically, the North Carolina DHHS office may wish to share information with you, such as new legislation or information about changes to the controlled substances reporting system. When this information is posted to your RxSentry account, the View Alert Messages function is displayed on the RxSentry home page. Once you open the alert, read it, and click the option to confirm the alert was read, the View Alert Messages function does not display again until a new alert is received.

Delegate Accounts

Request Access

Note: If you have controlled substance prescribing authority, you must register by following the instructions provided at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/MHDDSAS/controlledsubstance/csrs-applicationform12-13-12.pdf. You may NOT register as a delegate account holder.

Perform the following steps to request a delegate account:

1. Open an Internet browser window and type the following URL in the address bar: https://nccsrs.hidinc.com/ncsignup.html.

   A login window is displayed:

   ![Login Window]

   2. Type newacct in the User Name field.
   3. Type welcome in the Password field.
   4. Click OK.

   The Delegate Access Request Form is displayed as shown on the following page.
**NC CSRS Delegate Access Request Form**

* LAST Name: __________________________ * FIRST Name: __________________________

* Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): __________________________ State License Number (if available): __________________________

Licensing State: Select a state

* Security Question: Select a question __________________________ * Security Answer: __________________________

* Physical Address: __________________________

* City: __________________________ * State: Select a state __________________________ * Zip Code: __________________________

Mailing Address (if different): __________________________

City: __________________________ * State: Select a state __________________________ * Zip Code: __________________________

* Name of Employer: __________________________ * Job Title: __________________________

* Email Address: __________________________

Please provide your sponsor’s information:

* LAST Name: __________________________ * FIRST Name: __________________________

* North Carolina License Number: __________________________ DEA Number (if available): __________________________

By submitting this application, I certify that:

1) I satisfy all requirements and am eligible to create an account to access the North Carolina CSRS database pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 90-113.74 (c)(1).

2) I understand that my use of the NC CSRS database is permitted only in connection with providing medical or pharmaceutical care for the patient.

3) I understand that any other access or disclosure of CSRS data is a violation of North Carolina law and may result in civil sanctions or disciplinary action. I further understand that I will treat the information in the system as any other health care information and will protect the information in my possession in accordance with federal and state laws governing health care information.

4) I understand that I am responsible for all use of my user name and password. I understand that I am not authorized to share my access privileges. If any authentication or password is lost or compromised, I agree to immediately contact my delegate sponsor to unlink my account from his or her own.

5) I understand that all use of the NC CSRS database may be monitored and audited for unusual or potentially unauthorized use.

**Delegate Account Holder:**

I agree to immediately notify the practitioner(s), who have granted me delegated access to act on their behalf, to remove authorization, when my access to the database is no longer required.

I understand that the NC CSRS is authorized to conduct auditing activities to monitor for unusual or potentially unauthorized use of the system.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of North Carolina that the foregoing is true and correct.


[Accept & Submit]
Complete the fields on this form, noting that required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).

6 Click Accept & Submit.

If information is incomplete or missing, a message is displayed indicating which fields must be corrected before your access request form can be submitted.

If all information has been properly supplied, a completed access request form is displayed, along with a prompt to print the form. Print the form if desired.

The North Carolina Controlled Substance Reporting System (CSRS) program staff will review your application and verify the information. You may be contacted if additional information is required.

If you are approved for an account, you will be notified via two separate e-mails. The first e-mail will contain your approval notification and user name information. The second e-mail will contain your temporary password, your personal identification number (PIN) that you will use to identify yourself if you need assistance from the HID Help Desk, and the steps to follow to log in to the system. You will be required to change the temporary password immediately when you first attempt to access the system.

Once your account has been approved, you must notify the master account holder on whose behalf you will be accessing the system. You will not be able to perform any queries until your account has been linked with that of your master account holder.

Linking Delegate Accounts

This function is used only by master account holders to select and activate associated delegate account holders.

Perform the following steps to link delegate accounts:

1 Log in to RxSentry.

2 From the home page, click Delegate Accounts. A window similar to the following is displayed:

All delegate accounts currently associated with your master account are displayed in the Currently Linked to Delegate Accounts section of this window.

Delegate accounts that have been approved and are awaiting master account holder association are displayed in the Link Additional Delegate Accounts section of
this window. For each delegate account holder, the last/first name, user group, user ID, and agency are displayed. To quickly locate a delegate account holder, type the first letter of the delegate account holder’s last name.

3 Click to select the desired delegate account or select multiple delegate account holders by holding down the [Ctrl] key while clicking each name.

4 Click Submit.

A window similar to the following is displayed, illustrating that the delegate account holders were linked:

![Delegate Account List](image)

**Note:** It is the responsibility of the master account holder to remove any delegate account holders no longer associated with the master account. To perform this action, hold down the [Ctrl] key while clicking the delegate account name(s) in the Currently Linked to Delegate Accounts section of this window, and then click Submit.

### Log Off RxSentry

To ensure your login credentials (user name and password) are not used by an unauthorized individual to access RxSentry, it is important that you log out of the system when you have completed your session. To do so, click Log Out from the RxSentry menu, and then close your Internet browser.

**Note:** Clicking Log Out closes your session and allows you to re-enter the system by simply supplying your password. If you do not plan to use the system for a period of time, click Log Out, and then close ALL open Internet browser windows to prevent another user from inadvertently attempting to access your session.
Session Timeouts

Session timeouts occur following fifteen (15) minutes of inactivity in the system, and the following message is displayed:

![Session Timeout Message]

Perform one of the following actions:

If you wish to log in with the same user ID, type your password in the **User Password** field, and then click **Submit**.

Or

If you wish to log in with a different user ID, **close ALL open Internet browser windows**, and then log in again. You will be prompted to enter both your user ID and password.
About This Chapter

This chapter explains how to create queries regarding recipient usage of controlled substances and view your query history. Master account holders may also view the query history of their delegates.

Practitioner/Pharmacist Query

This function is used to create queries that are used to report information about recipient usage of controlled substances.

Perform the following steps to create a query:

1. Log in to RxSentry.
2. From the home page, click Practitioner/Pharmacist Query.

A window similar to the following is displayed:

You may query any recipient name, but before you can view the results of the query, you must authenticate the query by indicating that the query is for a valid reason and that you have the potential to provide a service to the recipient whose name is being queried.

Note: Without selecting the I accept the above conditions check box, you will not be able to access the Practitioner/Pharmacist Query window.

3. Select the I accept the above conditions check box.
A window similar to the following is displayed:

![Practitioner/Pharmacist Query window](image)

4. Complete the information on the **Practitioner/Pharmacist Query** window, using the field descriptions in the following table as a guideline:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Name</th>
<th>Usage</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Recipient Name</td>
<td>(Required) Type the recipient’s last name. You may use the “Begins with” or “Sounds like” options if the actual last name is not known. You may also search for a specific recipient by using partial text, for example, type <em>Smi</em> to display a list of recipients containing “Smi” in the first three letters of their last name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Last</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>(Required) Type the recipient’s first name. You may use the “Begins with” or “Sounds like” options if the actual first name is not known. You may also search for a specific recipient by using partial text, for example, type <em>Tho</em> to display a list of recipients containing “Tho” in the first three letters of their first name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gender</td>
<td>This field is automatically populated with “All” and cannot be changed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Target DOB</td>
<td>(Required) Type the recipient’s date of birth using the <em>mm/dd/yyyy</em> format.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Within</td>
<td>Used in conjunction with the <strong>Target DOB</strong> field to specify a time range within which to match the date of birth.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Name</td>
<td>Usage</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zipcode selection</td>
<td>Narrow your search by typing a specific ZIP code, or leave this field blank to produce a wider range of results.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Primary Address City</td>
<td>Narrow your search by typing the recipient’s primary address and city of residence, if known, or you may leave these fields blank to produce a wider range of results.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Address 1 City</td>
<td>Use these fields to enter any other known addresses and cities for the recipient, or you may leave these fields blank to produce a wider range of results.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Address 2 City</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dispensed Timeframe From</td>
<td>Use this field to enter a specific dispensing start date, for example, 01/01/07.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dispensed Timeframe To</td>
<td>Use this field to enter a specific dispensing end date, for example, 01/31/07.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Preset Timeframe Ranges</td>
<td>Use this field to select from a list of predefined time frame ranges. If this function is used, any values supplied in the Dispensed Timeframe From and Dispensed Timeframe To fields are ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Master Accounts</td>
<td>Select the master account holder for whom the query is being created.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5 Once all criteria have been entered or selected, click Submit. A window similar to the following is displayed:

![Recipient Report](image)

6 From the **Recipient Report** section of this window, click the desired recipient’s name.
Select one of the following sort options:

- **Sort by Date Only**: this option sorts by prescription dispense date (newest to oldest)
- **Sort by Recipient by Date**: this option sorts first by recipients (patient IDs, in numerical order) and then by prescription dispense date

Click **Request**.

A window similar to the following is displayed:

From this window, you may perform the following functions:

- Click **Open in new window** to view a full-screen version of the report.
- Click **Date Dispensed, Prescriber**, or **Dispenser** to sort the recipient’s information in ascending or descending order.
- Click **Generate Report** to generate a PDF version of your report. A message similar to the following is displayed:

  *Query 14121 has been created. View Query Status to retrieve report when query finishes running.*

  **Note**: The query will remain in the database for 14 days, after which it will be automatically removed.

  Continue to **View Query Status** to retrieve your report.

### Search History

If you are a master account holder, you may use this function to perform a search of all queries created with your account ID and those created by your delegates.

**Note**: This function is only available to master account holders.

Perform the following steps to view your search history:

1. Log in to RxSentry.
2. From the home page, click **Practitioner/Pharmacist Query**.
A window similar to the following is displayed:

![Practitioner/Pharmacist Query](image)

You must authenticate the query by indicating the query is for a valid reason and that you are authorized to submit the query.

**Note:** Without selecting the **I accept the above conditions** check box, you will not be able to access the Practitioner/Pharmacist Query window.

3. Select the **I accept the above conditions** check box. A window similar to the following is displayed:

![Practitioner/Pharmacist Query](image)

4. Select the **Search History** check box.

A window similar to the following is displayed:

![Search History](image)

5. In the **Audit TimeFrame** fields, accept the default start and end dates (current date), or type the desired dates.
6 In the User field, select your user ID or the user ID(s) of the delegate(s) whose search history you wish to view. You may select multiple users by holding down the [Ctrl] key while clicking each user ID.

7 In the Detail field, select the desired output method for your report:
   - **Detail Foreground** – Displays your report as a Web page.
   - **Detail Background (Web)** – Allows your report to generate in the background as a Web page. Once your report has generated, it will be available in your report queue. Use the View Query Status option to view the results of your query.
   - **Detail Background (PDF)** – Allows your report to generate in the background and print to a PDF file when it has completed. Once your report has generated, it will be available in your report queue. Use the View Query Status option to view the results of your query.

8 Click Display.

If you selected **Detail Foreground** in step 7, your search results are displayed similar to the following:

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</table>
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Or

If you selected either of the **Detail Background** options, a message displays indicating that your report has been sent to the job queue. Continue to **View Query Status** to view the results of your query.

**View Query Status**

This function allows you to check the status of a submitted query. The **Status** column on the View Report Queue window displays one of the following query statuses:
   - **Approved/Queued** – the query has been approved and is processing.
   - **Approved/Done** - the query has been approved and processed, and is available for viewing.

Perform the following steps to view the status of a query or several queries:
1. Log in to RxSentry.
2. From the home page, click **View Query Status**.
A window similar to the following is displayed:

Note: The output format for all reports is portable document format (PDF).

3 If the report is ready for viewing, the Job Sequence ID column contains a hyperlink to the report. Click the hyperlink for the desired report. A window similar to the following is displayed:

4 Perform one of the following actions:
   - Select Open with and select the program you would like to use to open the report for viewing.
   - Select Save File to save the report to a specific location for viewing at a later time.

5 Click OK, or click Cancel to return to the previous window.
5 Assistance and Support

Technical Assistance

If you require additional help with providing this information, please e-mail HID at nccsrs-info@hidinc.com

Or

Call 1-866-792-3149

Technical assistance is available from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST).

Administrative Assistance

If you have any non-technical questions regarding the North Carolina prescription drug monitoring program, please contact:

North Carolina Controlled Substances Reporting System
3008 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-3008

Phone: (919) 733-1765
E-mail: nccontrolsstance.reporting@dhhs.nc.gov
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▪ Changed the “Gender” search criteria option to reflect that the only available option is now “All” |
<p>| 1.4            | Chapter 4/Administrative Assistance | Updated e-mail address                                                |
| 1.5            | Chapter 3                | Separated into two chapters: Chapter 3 – Accessing RxSentry and Chapter 4 – Using RxSentry |</p>
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