

Training & Technical Assistance

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Overview of the PDMP Training & Technical Assistance Center

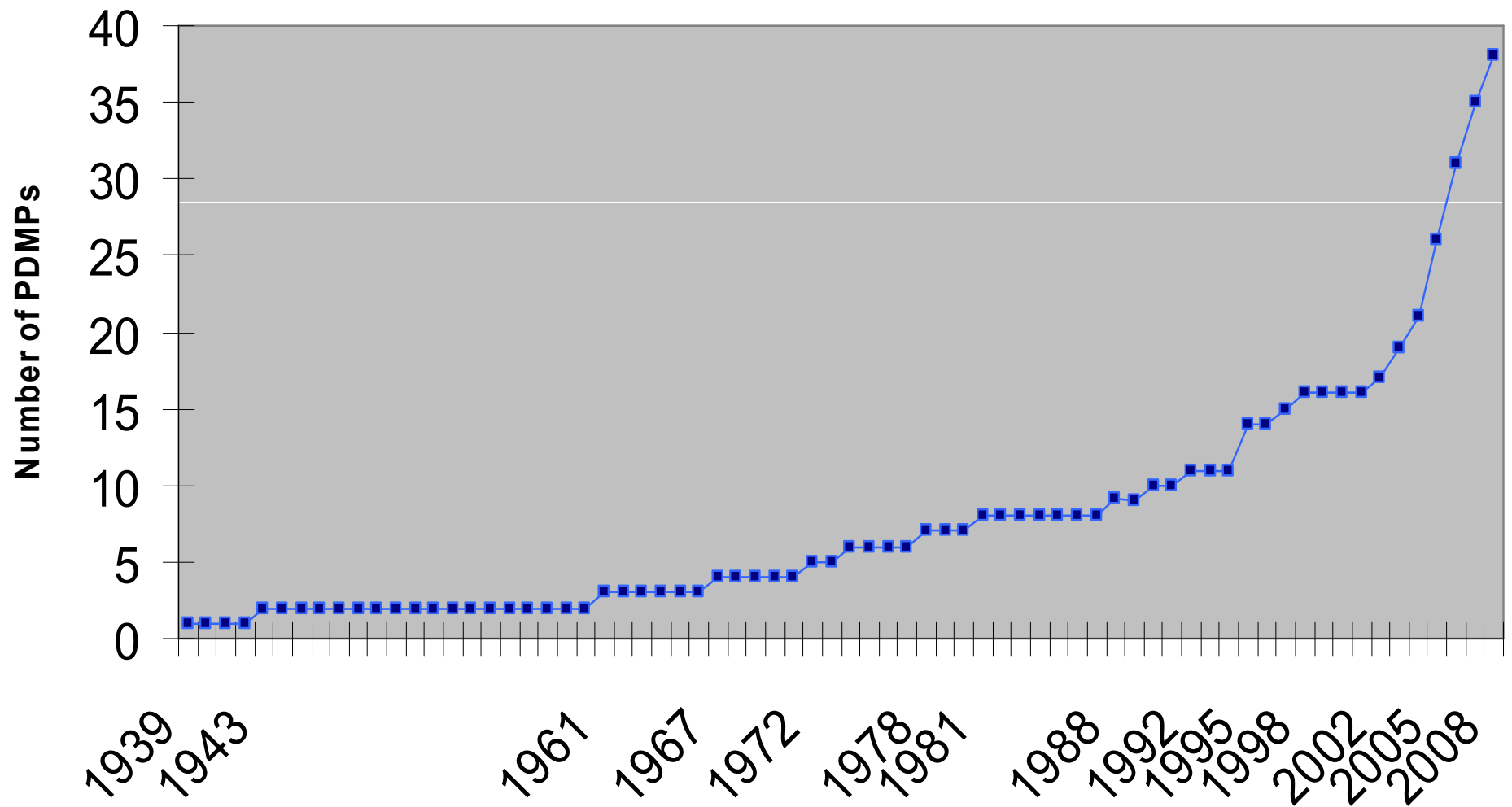
Review:

- Purpose of the Center
- Brandeis/Alliance partnership
- TTA Center: Governance

New:

- What have we been doing for the past year?
- What to expect over the next year

PDMPs Statutorily Authorized 1939 - 2008



Growth in PDMPs Following Introduction of BJA Harold Rogers Grant Program

Yearly averages for 6-year periods of #
states enacting PDMP-enabling
legislation:

- 1992 – 1997: 1.0 per year
- 1998 – 2003: 1.0 per year
- 2004 – 2009: 3.5 per year (so far)

Implications of PDMP Growth

- More PDMPs started or in process of starting in past 6 years than in the previous 54 years
 - Very different technological, political, and public health contexts for recent PDMPs
 - Great variation in the context, operations, and resources of PDMPs
 - Growth in need for TA services
 - Growth in interest in and information on PDMPs

PDMP History of Supporting One Another

- Alliance established to facilitate sharing of information, learning
- At the spring Regional Meetings, we asked about assistance provided by each PDMP and received from other PDMPs:
 - 19 states were reported to have provided assistance
 - 20 states were reported to have received assistance
 - These numbers are likely undercounts

Purpose of the PDMP Training & Technical Assistance Center

To be a flexible, responsive resource to BJA, state PDMPs, and other stakeholders in

- Compiling, organizing, assessing and making available in a user-friendly way PDMP materials, research findings, legislation, etc.
- Facilitating exchange of knowledge, expertise, and tools among PDMPs
- Developing trainings to address emerging needs among PDMPs
- Tailoring technical assistance to individual PDMPs
- Helping to organize the “voice” of PDMPs

Brandeis/Alliance Partnership

- What the Alliance brings to the TTA Center
 - Members are the experts
 - Experience in providing TA
 - Members are the TTA recipients
 - Experience in identifying TA needs, working with TA provider
 - History of facilitating interstate mentoring
 - Patterns of local assistance, sharing, collective learning
 - Alliance increasingly giving voice to state PDMP concerns, views, experiences

Brandeis/Alliance Partnership

- What Brandeis brings
 - Research expertise in substance abuse/prescription drug abuse issues, assessment, prevention and tx
 - How does the work of PDMPs fit into this larger context?
 - What in this context do PDMPs need to pay attention to?
 - Expertise in evaluating state PDMP, collaboration networks, and TTA
 - How can the TTA Center's work intelligently build upon and extend existing interstate relationships and networks?
 - Expertise in compiling, assessing, and organizing literature
 - Allow state PDMPs to explore in depth as needed

TTA Center: Governance

- Overall structure:
 - Alliance Board of Directors and Alliance officers
 - Guide administration of grant funds
 - Brandeis University: fiscal agent
 - Program Director: Jim Giglio
 - Oversee operations and administration, coordinate TA
 - Program Coordinator: Chris Baumgartner
 - Maintain Web site content, produce Newsletter, provide TA
 - Brandeis Principal Investigator: Peter Kreiner
 - Design and oversee TTA Center evaluation; provide evaluation TA
 - Brandeis Project Coordinator: Carol Prost
 - Implement TTA Center evaluation

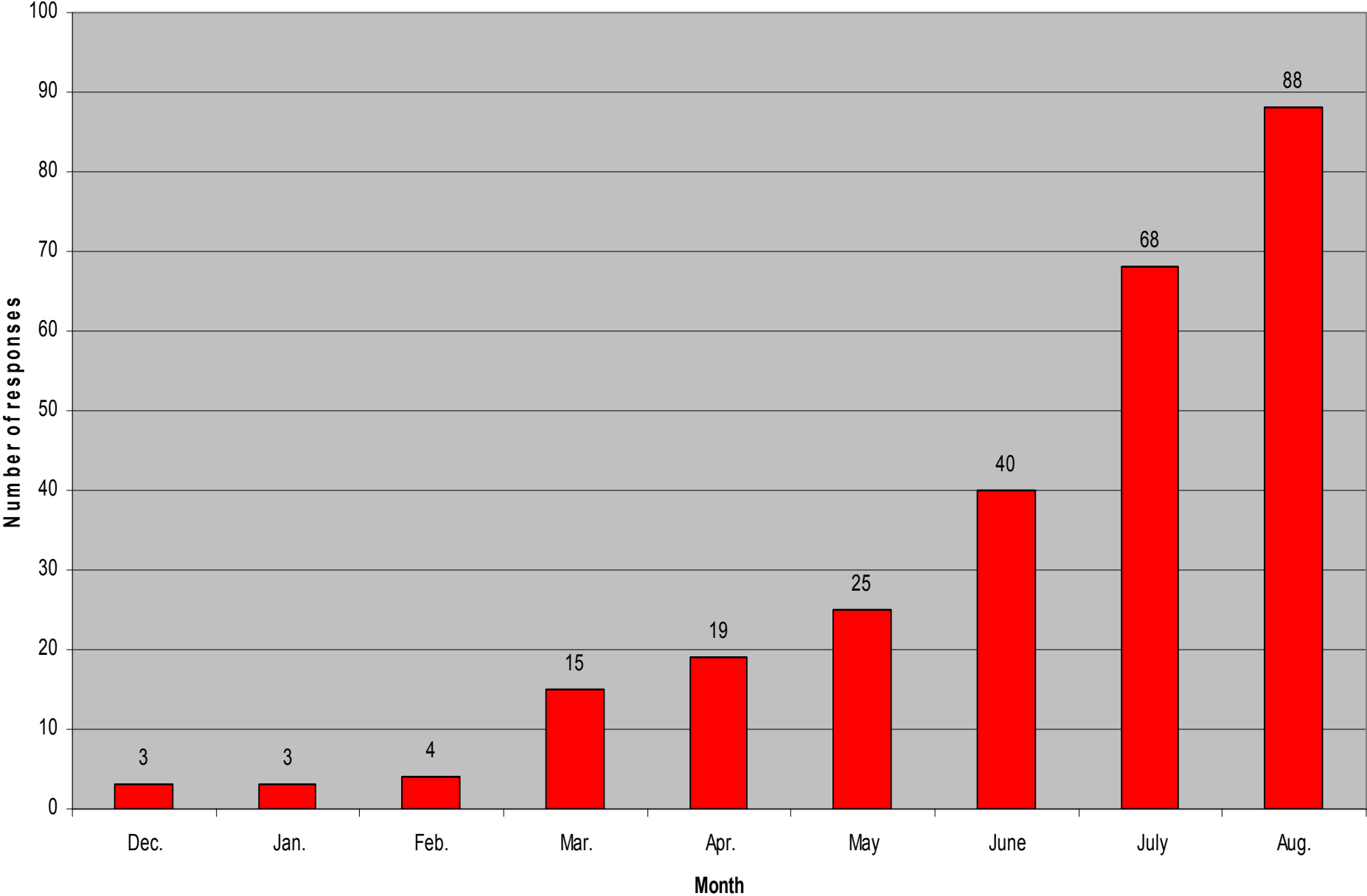
TTA Center: Governance

- Other resources
 - Subcontract to SAI for work on performance measures
 - Subcontract to Resonate, Inc. for Web site development
 - Consultant: John Eadie
 - Prescription drug research expertise (Brandeis):
Cindy Thomas, Meelee Kim
 - Attorney
 - Security Consultant: Steve Bruck

What have we been doing for the past year?

- Responded to TA or information requests from 32 different states (through August)
 - 88 total state requests
 - Also requests from federal agencies and other stakeholders

Responses to State PDMP Requests



What have we been doing for the past year? cont'd

- Hosted/facilitated 4 Regional Meetings in collaboration with regional committees
 - Forum for identification and discussion of key issues
 - Status updates
 - Networking
 - Input/feedback to TTA Center
 - Extremely positive evaluations of all 4 meetings
- Bimonthly Alliance newsletters
- Educational testimony in OR

What have we been doing for the past year? cont'd

- Alliance/TTA Center Web site
 - Easy and immediate access to TA
 - News updates, including Alliance Newsletters and regional updates
 - Repository of documents, such as PDMP and federal agency contact list, PDMP Model Act, ASAP 2007, *Goals of Prescription Monitoring*, cost models for interstate data sharing
 - PDMP meeting registration and meeting info
 - Links to related Web sites of interest to state PDMPs

What to expect over the next year

Three components going forward:

- Training & Technical Assistance Center
- PDMP Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence
- Interstate Data Sharing Project

Training & TA Center over the next year

- Continue to serve as the primary provider of technical assistance and information to states that are enhancing or implementing a PDMP
 - Provide online, phone, and on-site TA
 - Maintain a Web presence
 - “Members only” feature with information and reports PDMPs are willing to share among themselves and federal partners
 - Facilitate communication between PDMP peers
 - Identify and facilitate training opportunities for BJA Harold Rogers grantees
 - Contract with security specialist to provide IT security technical assistance

Training & TA Center over the next year cont'd

- Serve as national resource and voice for PDMPs, grantees and others
 - Plan and facilitate the 2010 National PDMP Meeting
 - Plan and facilitate regional PDMP meetings as required
 - Track and report on national PDMP trends
 - Initiate steps to set up an Interstate Information Sharing Governing Body
- Advise and assist grantees in collecting and reporting on PDMP performance measures

PDMP Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence

- Provide a clearinghouse of information, evaluation results and tools, statistics, epidemiological examinations, and other materials relevant to PDMP administrators, state and federal policy makers, and researchers
 - Establish Web site (linked to Alliance/TTAC site)
 - Compile, summarize, and organize literature and materials relevant to PDMPs
 - Track development and implementation in states in process of implementing PDMPs to identify emerging issues
 - Plan a reference archive regarding PDMP histories
 - Database of information on each current PDMP

PDMP Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence cont'd

- Advance the methodology for assessing PDMP effectiveness; undertake and encourage assessment and evaluation to identify and improve PDMPs' benefits
 - With National Advisory Board, including BJA and ASPMP, develop a PDMP research and evaluation agenda; e.g.,
 - Measuring PDMP impact on drug diversion, abuse, misuse
 - Using PDMP data to improve patient care
 - Analyzing PDMP data to improve PDMP effectiveness
 - Validating outcome measures regarding PDMP impacts

PDMP Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence cont'd

- Advance the methodology... cont'd
 - Initiate studies of similarities and differences between PDMPs
 - “Annual Research Update” – news about research and evaluation articles, plans, and findings

PDMP Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence cont'd

- In collaboration with BJA and ASPMP, develop a compendium of best practices by PDMPs
 - Procedures for authenticating users of PDMP data
 - Report formats that PDMPs provide to their data users
 - Standard PDMP administrative reports
- With BJA and ASPMP, develop methods and vehicles for states to report-out on PDMP operations and effectiveness
- Provide support to states and federal agencies in use of Clearinghouse/Center of Excellence materials, data, and tools

Interstate Data Sharing Project

- Subcontract to IJIS Institute to:
 - Implement the PDMP Hub into production to share real patient information
 - Provide intensive technical assistance for 3 – 4 additional states to interact with the Hub
 - Lead the PMIX Steering Committee and address questions regarding technical specifications and state policy guidance

Why have the three components in one organization?

- There is a need for the three domains -
 - Provision and facilitation of TA and information
 - Compiling, organizing, and assessing materials
 - Facilitating interstate data sharing
- All driven by growth of PDMPs and increasing visibility of prescription drug abuse
- Parallel needs for each domain to be centralized

Why have the three components in one organization? cont'd

- There are interactions between the components:
 - PDMP voice needs to inform the development of a research and evaluation agenda
 - Clearinghouse materials need to be systematized and assessed for scientific validity as well as relevance
 - Analysis of PDMP similarities and differences can inform improvement of performance measures and performance measure data
 - Interstate data sharing has implications for measures of PDMP effectiveness and impact

Requests for Training/Technical Assistance

- Programmatic questions, technical assistance, information needed:
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 - Or go to: pmpalliance.org
- PMP evaluation questions, TA, information:
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