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Abstract: Allows for the exchange of information with prescription monitoring programs in other states.

Present law provides for prescription monitoring and provides that health information maintained in the program is protected to maintain privacy and confidentiality of patient health information.

Proposed law retains present law and specifies that prescription monitoring information is not available by subpoena from the board.

Present law allows the use of prescription monitoring information for research or educational purposes but requires any identifying information be removed before the data is used.

Present law allows certain professionals to directly access prescription monitoring information for the care of patients.

Present law limits access to law enforcement agencies to prescription monitoring information to subpoenas or warrants ordering the information.

Present law allows for the provision of prescription monitoring information in response to queries from other states through a secure interstate data exchange system. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law further requires that in order to share information with other states, the other state's system must be at least as secure as required in La. Proposed law changes present law to allow the exchange of information with other states as long as the security is consistent with the requirements of present law.

(Amends R.S. 40:1007(A) and (G))