

WAC 246-470-040 Patient access to information from the program.

A patient or a patient's personal representative may obtain a report listing all prescription monitoring information that pertains to the patient.

(1) Procedure for obtaining information. A patient or a patient's personal representative requesting information pursuant to this section shall submit a written request in person at the department, or at any other place specified by the department. The written request must be in a format established by the department.

(2) Identification required. The patient or the patient's personal representative must provide valid photographic identification prior to obtaining access to the information requested in this section.

(3) Proof of personal representation. Before obtaining access to the information pursuant to this section, a personal representative shall provide either:

(a) An official attested copy of the judicial order granting them authority to gain access to the health care records of the patient;

(b) In the case of parents or legal guardian(s) of a minor child, a certified copy of the birth certificate of the minor child or other certified legal documents establishing parentage or guardianship; or

(c) In the case of persons holding power of attorney, the original document establishing the power of attorney.

(4) The department may verify the patient authorization by any reasonable means prior to providing the information to the patient's personal representative.

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