



SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE SUMMIT

DEA Washington Division Diversion Control Program

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Mission of DEA's Diversion Control Program

- Ensure an adequate and uninterrupted supply of pharmaceutical controlled substances and listed chemicals to meet legitimate medical, scientific and commercial needs.
- Prevent, detect and investigate the diversion of these substances into illicit channels.



Washington Division Diversion Offices and Positions






Controlled Substances Act

Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act (1970)

- **Common Name: Controlled Substances Act of 1970 (CSA)**
- **Replaced more than 50 pieces of drug control legislation**
- **Established a single system of control for both narcotics and psychotropic drugs**
- **Established five schedules that classified controlled substances according to their properties**





Controlled Substances Act

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Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act (1970)

- **Established a “closed system” that tracks and accounts for controlled substances from import or manufacture through wholesale distribution to the ultimate end-user**
- **Facilitated the creation of the Compliance Program (1971) now renamed as the Office of Diversion Control to monitor all aspects of legitimate manufacture and distribution of controlled substances**



DEA Registration: A Cornerstone of the CSA

- Every person or entity that handles controlled substances **must** be registered or be exempt by regulation from registration
- Must apply using the appropriate DEA form for the designated business activity and pay the required fee, unless fee exempt
- Must meet state licensure requirements in state(s) where business is conducted
- Must be in good standing and comply with DEA requirements



How DEA's Diversion Mission is Accomplished

- **Registration of Legitimate C/S and List 1 Handlers**
- **Scheduled Investigations**
- **Liaison with S&L and Federal Regulatory, Law Enforcement and Industry Counterparts**
- **Monitoring of Trends and Traffic Data**
- **Focused Proactive & Reactive Initiatives**
- **Administrative, Civil and Criminal Efforts (Divisional and Multi-Jurisdictional)**
- **Support of DEA Components**
- **Focused DEA Enforcement & Intelligence Support**



Virginia's DEA Registrant Population

Total Population: 38,569 (As of November 2012)

Total US Population: 1,458,650

• Practitioner	-	30,111
• Mid-Level Practitioner	-	6,181
• Pharmacy	-	1,602
• Hospital/Clinic	-	351
• Manufacturer	-	6
• Distributor	-	17
• Reverse Distributor	-	0
• Researcher	-	117
• Teaching Institution	-	9
• Analytical Lab	-	37
• Importer	-	3
• Exporter	-	5
• Narcotic Treatment Prog.	-	22

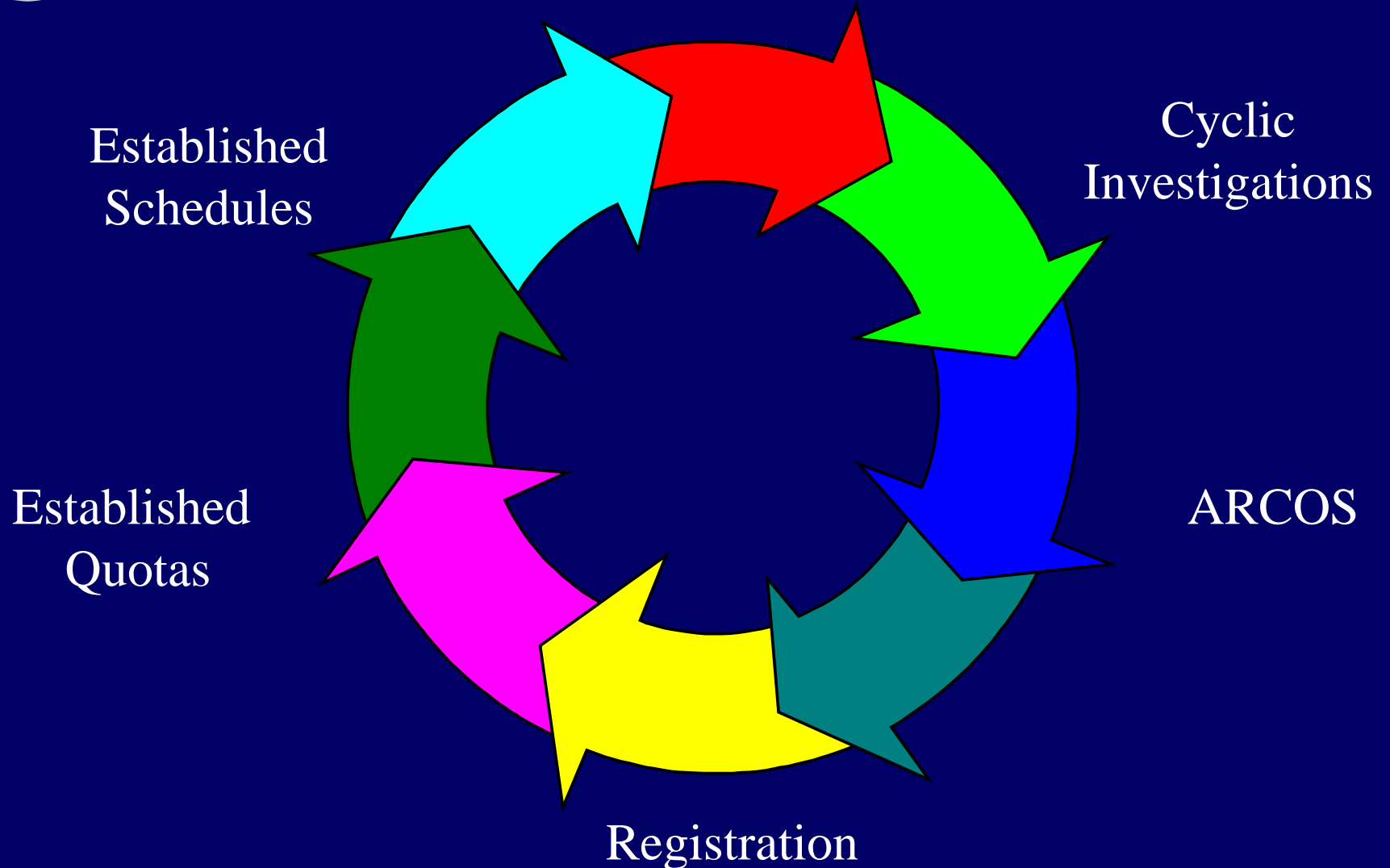


Diversion Control Program

DEA Monitoring and Tracking Mechanisms

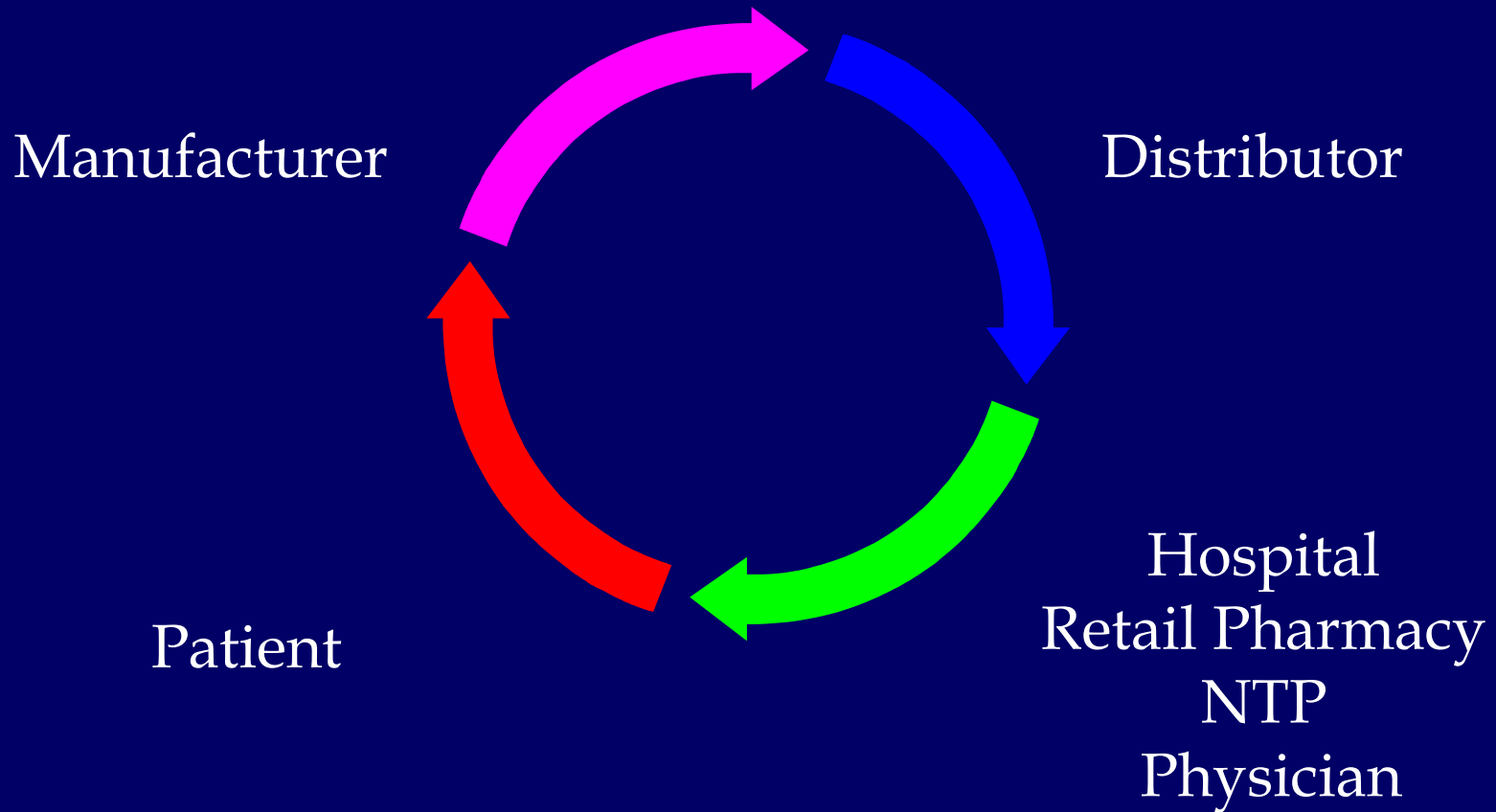
- Scheduling of controlled substances (C/S)
- Registration of C/S handlers
- Recordkeeping/Accountability
- Required Reports Submitted to DEA by Registrants
- Security requirements
- Manufacturing quotas
- DEA CSA2 Database

Monitoring DEA's Closed System





Closed System of Distribution





Points of Penetration within the “Closed System”

- Practitioners
 - illegal distribution
 - self abuse
- Pharmacists
 - illegal distribution
 - self abuse
 - internet diversion
- Employee pilferage
 - hospitals
 - practitioners’ offices
 - nursing homes
 - retail pharmacies
 - manufacturing/distribution facilities
- Diversion by “Patients”
 - individual(s)
 - organized drug rings





Tools for Addressing Diversion of Controlled Substances

- Regulatory Action
- Administrative Action
- Civil
- Criminal



DEA Initiatives to Address C/S Abuse and Diversion

- Tactical Diversion Squads
- State Rx Drug Monitoring Programs
- Regulatory Oversight to Drug Treatment Providers
- Liaison w/Regulatory and Law Enforcement, Internet Providers, and the Pharmaceutical Industry to address Regulatory Compliance and prevent Diversion
- Internet Public Service Announcements
- Educational Outreach Efforts to Health Professionals, Academia, Counterparts, General Public and other Stakeholders



WFD Diversion Trends & Traffic

- **Most commonly abused pharmaceuticals throughout the Division:**

Oxycodone products

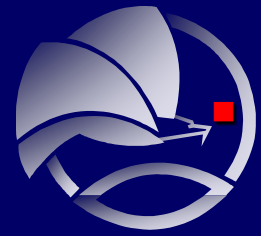
Hydrocodone

Methadone

Benzodiazepines (Xanax, Klonopin)

- **Drug to Watch:**

Buprenorphine (Subutex and Suboxone)



DEA Diversion – Front and Center

- Focused regulatory efforts directed at ensuring full DEA Registrant compliance (more frequent and in-depth DEA regulatory inspections)
- Community Outreach re: Diversion/Abuse of Pharmaceuticals
- Active support by to support the passage of legislation to establish PDMPs in all states
- Active DEA engagement in national civil initiatives targeting DEA Registrants found to be in violation of the CSA
- Immediate Suspension Orders issued to DEA Registrants involved in large volume negligent Distribution/Diversion of highly abused/diverted controlled substance products
- DEA representation in regional Pharmaceutical Drug Summits to address the growing Rx drug abuse epidemic
- Several Orders to Show Cause issued to deny, suspend or revoke the DEA registrations of violative DEA registrants
- Hosting of Nat'l Drug Take Back Initiatives to address proper disposal of unwanted/expired drugs in the community.



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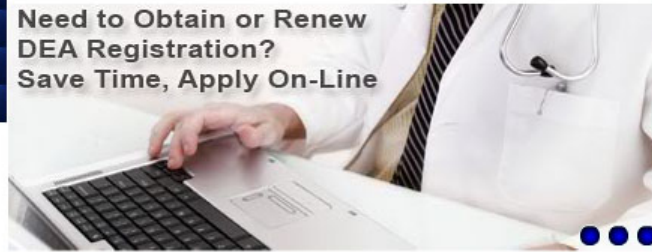
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Registration Number Toll Free: 1-800-882-9539

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