



National Practitioner Data Bank NPDB 101 Teleconference

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Agenda

- ▶ **General Overview**
- ▶ **NPDB Reports**
- ▶ **Querying**
- ▶ **Additional Information**
- ▶ **Resources**



General Overview

Mission: To improve health care quality, protect the public, and reduce health care fraud and abuse in the United States.

Created to meet several needs:

- ▶ Flagging system for effective credential reviews
- ▶ Protection against unfit practitioners
- ▶ Deter fraud and abuse in the health care system

General Overview

Types of Information Collected

- ▶ Medical malpractice judgments and settlements.
- ▶ Adverse licensing and certification actions.
- ▶ Clinical privileges actions.
- ▶ Health plan contract terminations.
- ▶ Professional society membership actions.
- ▶ Negative actions/findings from private accreditation organizations and peer review organizations.
- ▶ Government administrative actions, e.g. exclusions from programs.
- ▶ Civil and criminal health care-related judgments.



General Overview

Aggregate Data

1.5+ million REPORTS



24 thousand ENTITIES



784 thousand PRACTITIONERS



2019 Data

82+ thousand REPORTS



9.3 million QUERIES



1.9 million DISCLOSURES



General Overview

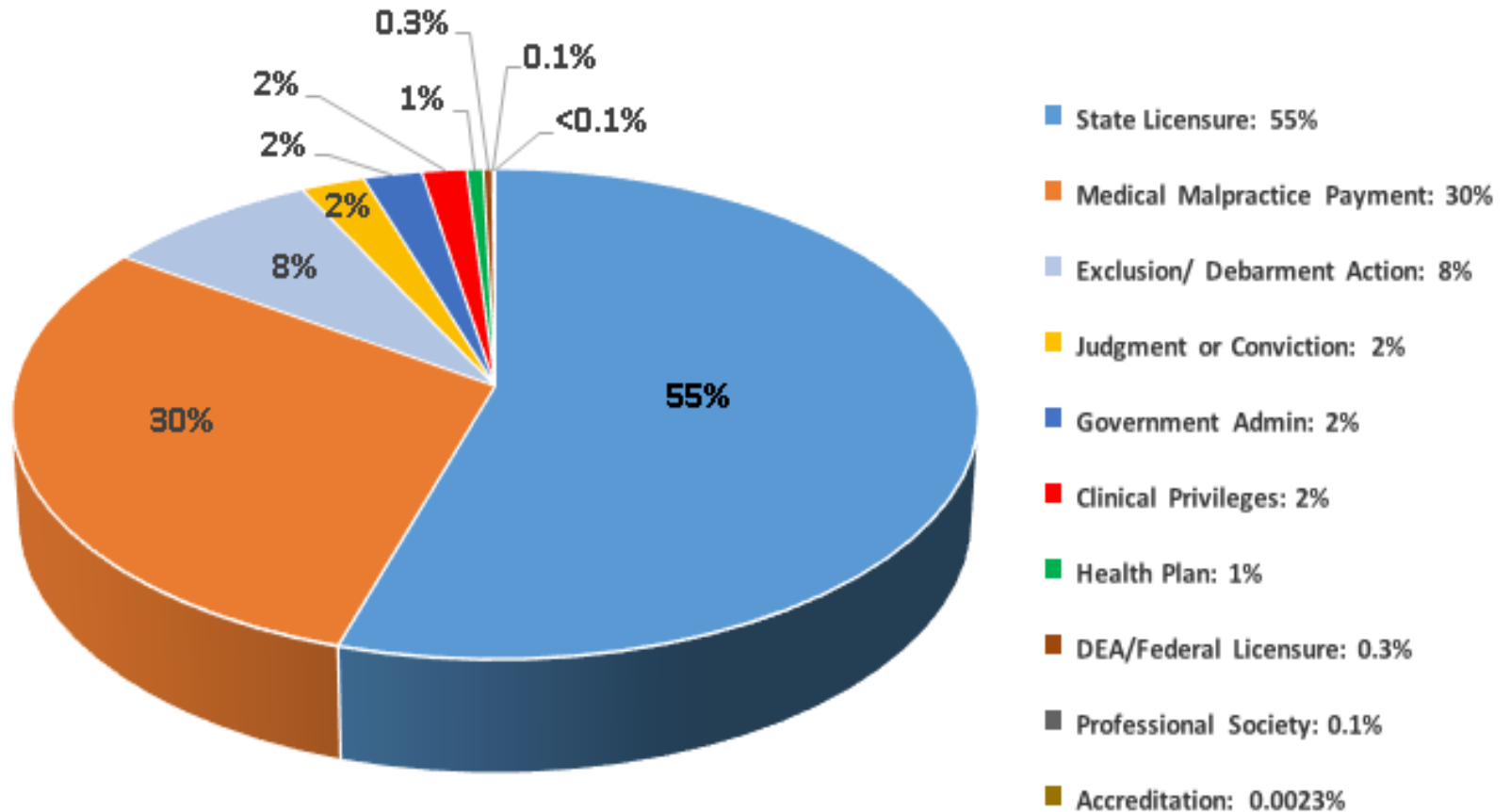
Confidentiality

- ▶ Information reported to the NPDB is confidential, not available to the general public, and may not be disclosed except as provided by law.
- ▶ Penalty up to \$23,331 per confidentiality violation. Changes with inflation.



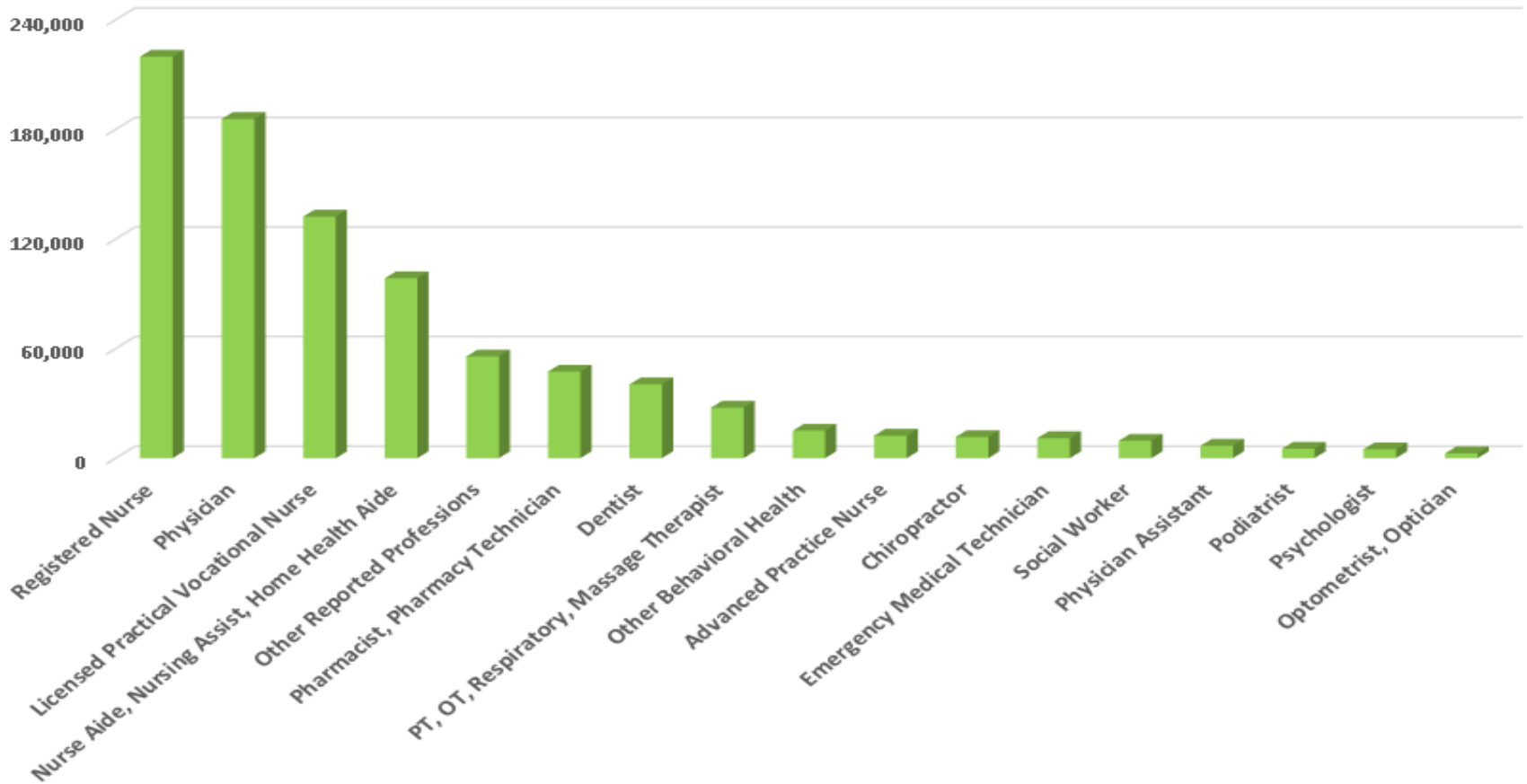
NPDB Reports by Type (N = 1.55M)

As of December 31, 2019



Reports on Individuals by Profession

2010 – 2019 (N = 914,000)





Queries



Queries

Recovering Costs

- ▶ By law, the NPDB must recover the full cost of operations. It does so by collecting fees for each query.
- ▶ Fees are examined every 2 years; last modified in October 2016.

Types of Transactions

- ▶ Reporting (no charge).
- ▶ Querying (by hospitals and health care organizations):
 - **\$2** for a one-year continuous query subscription.
 - **\$2** for a one-time query.
- ▶ Self-Query: **\$4.**



Continuous Query

Using Continuous Query

Requires the same practitioner information

Subscribers continue using their subject databases

Fee: \$2.00 per enrollee per year

- ▶ No separate query fee
- ▶ Upon enrollment, receive the same report information as a one-time query response
- ▶ Continuously queries the NPDB and notifies subscribers of any new reports
- ▶ No need to re-query for reappointments or temporary privileges extensions





Resources

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NPDB Query Fee Waiver Extended For Registered Entities

The NPDB continues to support our users' efforts in combating the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read more](#)



GET YOUR NPDB SELF-QUERY

Self-Query
Learn about the Self-Query process and query the NPDB for your own information.



Self-Query

Order a search of your information for \$4 and receive both an online response and a sealed letter.

[Start or Sign Into a Self-Query](#)



Check Your Report

Received a letter notifying you of a report? View and respond to the report.

[Sign in to View Your Report](#)

For Organizations

Registering with the NPDB

How an organization can apply to access NPDB information.

Changing Your Data Bank Administrator

What to do if your Data Bank administrator is leaving your organization.

Querying the NPDB

Start using Continuous Query within your organization.

Your Organization

Receive organization-specific reporting and querying guidance.

Popular Resources

NPDB Guidebook

The guidebook serves as a policy manual for the NPDB.

Webcasts

Learn about upcoming webcasts and watch recordings of past webcasts.

NPDB Infographics

Educational guides that explain NPDB concepts in a visual, easy-to-understand format.

Policy Corner

A resource for your questions about the laws and regulations governing NPDB operations.

News

August 5, 2020

The [August Insights](#) announces the NPDB 101 Teleconference, answers a reportability question, explains the reasons for reporting, provides tips on writing report narrative descriptions, and describes the differences between One-Time and Continuous Query.

July 1, 2020

The [NPDB query fee waiver](#) has been extended through September 30, 2020. The NPDB continues to support our users' efforts in combating the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Research & Data


Compliance


Credentialing Software (QRXS)



NPDB Guidebook

The Guidebook is NPDB's policy manual containing detailed information to help health care entities understand and comply with reporting requirements.



<http://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/resources/aboutGuidebooks.jsp>



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Is It Reportable?



Should a medical malpractice payment made exclusively for the benefit of a clinic, hospital, or other health care entity be reported?

No. Medical malpractice payments made solely for the benefit of a clinic, hospital, or other health care entity should not be reported to the NPDB. However, a payment made for the benefit of a professional corporation or business entity consisting only of a sole practitioner is reportable to the NPDB.

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[New Querying Infographics Available](#)

[Hospital Registration Renewal Updates and New Hospital Web Page](#)



Data on the Website

- Public Use File
- Data Analysis Tool
- Statistical Table and Trends
- Updated Quarterly
- <http://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/>



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