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## ATTN: NOTIFICATION TO PHARMACIES OF CHANGES TO THE CPMRS DATA REPORTING PROGRAM

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Dear Pharmacy Manager,

In accordance with Connecticut General Statute: Section 21a-254 – The Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection has established a program to monitor the prescribing and dispensing of Schedule II, III, IV & V controlled substances. This **mandatory program** was designed to provide information regarding the prescription of controlled substances in order to prevent the improper or illegal use of the controlled substance and shall not infringe on the legitimate prescribing of a controlled substance by a prescribing practitioner acting in good faith and in the course of professional practice. The program will cover the entire state. All transactions must be submitted at least twice monthly.

Your pharmacy currently participates in this program. This letter serves as official notification that beginning May 1, 2011 the website for the CPMRS Data Reporting Program will be upgraded. All of the current features of the website will remain the same. As part of this upgrade the look of the website will change and the data will be collected in ASAP 4.1/2009 format. There will be a three month grace period, during which both ASAP 0.5/1995 and ASAP 4.1/2009 will be accepted. Effective August 1, 2011 all prescription data submitted to the CPMRS Data Reporting Program *must* be in ASAP 4.1/2009 format. Please contact your corporate office for details if you are part of a large chain.

For detailed information on navigating the new website and ASAP 4.1/2007 format please view the new User Manual on the website (<u>www.ctrxreport.com</u>) by logging into the website using your current username and password. The new User Manual can be found by clicking on "Info Center" and then clicking on "Data Collection User Manual – Effective May 1, 2011".

The contractor for data collection is Optimum Technology, Inc. Please contact them with any technical questions.

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