

## **Important Information Regarding MANDATORY KASPER ACCOUNT REGISTRATION and TRANSITION to Kentucky Online Gateway (KOG)**

Prior to procuring, dispensing or prescribing controlled substances to patients in Kentucky, a physician must have the following:

1. An active Kentucky Medical License
2. A DEA registration number specific for Kentucky. If you practice in more than one state or store controlled substances in multiple locations within Kentucky, you may be required to register for additional DEA numbers.

[DEA Registration Information](#)

[DEA Contact Information](#)

3. **An active KASPER (KYs Prescription Monitoring System) account.** Registration and information is available below.

### **Notice for Physicians without a KASPER Account:**

Pursuant to KRS 218A.202, ALL licensed physicians (for ALL licensure types, i.e. residency licenses, full regular licenses, etc...) with an active KY DEA registration in their name **MUST** register and maintain an account to use KASPER. Failure to register and maintain a KASPER account and access it via KOG while authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances may result in disciplinary action – including emergency suspension or restriction - against a medical license. A person is authorized to prescribe or dispense a controlled substance to a person physically located in KY if they maintain an active KY DEA registration, regardless of whether they use or plan to use such authority. If you are unsure if your DEA is active or if you have a DEA registered in KY, you may call the DEA Registration Support Office at 571-362-6905 **After February 28, 2020, the Board will conduct a formal audit in order to determine compliance with this requirement. Noncompliance after February 28, 2020, may result in emergency suspension or restriction against a medical license.**

### **Notice for Physicians with Existing KASPER registrations regarding Transition to KOG**

As mentioned above, KRS 218A.202 requires that ANY person authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances (i.e. an active DEA registration) must be registered and maintain use of the KASPER system. Since April 30, 2019, this requires more than having a KASPER account; it requires that you transition that account to Kentucky Online Gateway (KOG), the new secure portal required to access KASPER. In discussions with representatives from the Office of Inspector General, it is our understanding there are a number of physicians who initially signed up for a KASPER account but are not able to use the system because they still have not taken steps to transition to KOG. Linking the two accounts allows you access to query KASPER outside an integrated health system, review your Provider Report Card, delegate office personnel to query KASPER on your behalf, and audit your reverse KASPER for fraudulent activity. **Failure to transition to KOG in order to be able to use the KASPER system may result in emergency action against a medical license.**

\*\*\* Instructions on how to transition to your old KASPER account to KOG or obtain a new KASPER account may be found on the Cabinet for Health and Family Services KASPER website: <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/os/oig/dai/deppb/Documents/MandatoryKASPERKOGAccountInstructions.pdf>

If you have questions about your KASPER account, please contact the KASPER Help Desk at (502) 564-2703. If you have questions about KOG, please contact (502) 564-0104, option 2.

\*\*\*All physicians should familiarize themselves with when and how often to KASPER patients as well as other requirements listed in Board prescribing controlled substances regulations. Info can be found at the KBML's website: <https://kbml.ky.gov/prescribing-substance-abuse/Pages/default.aspx>