

NPLeX – National Precursor Log Exchange

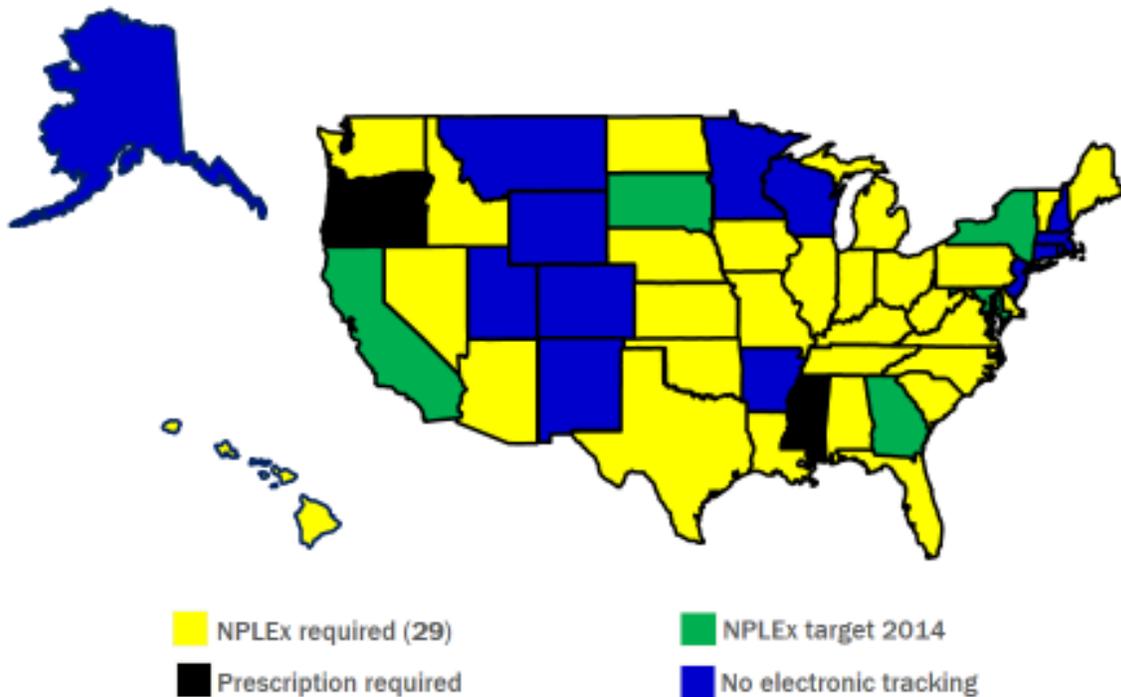
NPLeX Overview

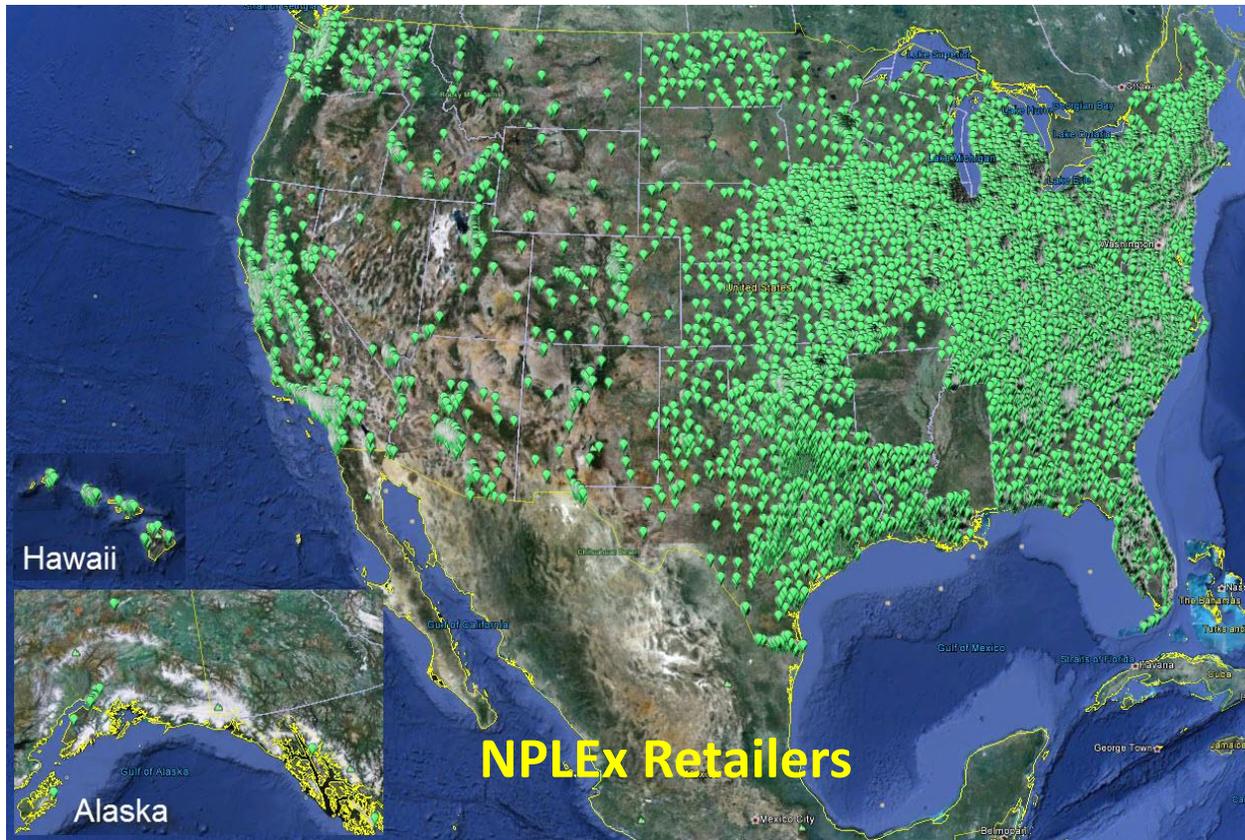
Every day, millions of people across the country rely on effective over-the-counter (OTC) cold and allergy medications for their intended use. At the same time, a very small percentage of people buy these same medications with the intent of diverting a component into the illegal and highly volatile drug, methamphetamine.

The Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA) and the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI) partnered in the fall of 2009 to launch the National Precursor Log Exchange (NPLeX). This free, real-time electronic tracking system is used across the country by retailers and law enforcement to track the sale of OTC drugs containing pseudoephedrine (PSE), a key ingredient in meth.

Since its inception, 29 states have passed legislation adopting NPLeX. As of today, more than 38,000 pharmacies participate nationwide.

NPLeX States – Every Retailer Required to Submit





NPLeX in Pennsylvania

House Bill 602 (now Act 53), passed in July 2013, requires all retailers that sell OTC PSE to electronically report transactions to NPLeX. The enforcement date for retailers to comply is **April 5, 2014**, however, early participation is encouraged. The gram limits are 3.6 grams per day and 9 grams per 30 days, which is in line with the federal gram limits.

NPLeX and Law Enforcement

NPLeX LE is free of charge to law enforcement nationwide. NPLeX LE provides law enforcement with real-time access to PSE transactions from their desktop, saving investigators countless hours of gathering and poring over manual pharmacy logs.

Available features:

- Access to PSE transactions (blocks and purchases) nationwide
- Monitor purchase activity and suspicious buying patterns in real-time
- Search for persons that are buying together through the Proximity Search
- Search by county, city, zip code, or address to proactively identify smurfers
- Set up a “Watch” for a specific individual and be automatically notified when they purchase, or are blocked from purchasing PSE at any pharmacy that is contributing data

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