
Healthcare supplier adoption group facilitated by GS1 UK
Meeting #3

Agenda and minutes

Thursday 28 September 2023, 14.00 – 16.00 BST

Attended

CB	Caroline Beecham (Chair)	BD
CF	Chris Florey	GS1 UK
GL	George Lawton	GS1 UK
JY	Jenny Young	Convatec
SK	Sinead Kennedy	Cook UK
IW	Ian Whitham	Cook UK
SL	Sophie Larard	J+J Medical
MG	Mark Gillanders	Pennine Healthcare
ChC	Charlie Cowpe	De Soutter Medical
AB	Angus Beckley	De Soutter Medical
IY*	Ilker Yilmaz	Gama Healthcare
FW*	Frankie Wallace	NHS Supply Chain
GH	Glen Hodgson	GS1 UK

*New members

Apologies

MD	Malcolm Dobson	B.Braun
CC	Clare Clarke	Amity International
TC	Tony Coulson	Steeper Group
GiL	Gideon Lake (Co-chair)	Teleflex Medical
DO	David Oakes	Cardinal Health
MB	Michelle Brill	3M
HS	Hélène Sauvage	Teleflex Medical

Other group members

RM	Ricky McCoy	Smith + Nephew
PP	Penny Pei	Smith + Nephew
SH	Shauntell Harper	Smith + Nephew
VG	Vicky Green	Medtronic
RB-T	Robin Bell-Taylor	Cardinal Health
HM	Haide Masters	Cardinal Health
AM-C	Amber Harrison-Crudge	J+J Medical

MM	Marina Madokoro	J+J Medical
EC	Ann Cole	Baxter
DF*	Dawn Fowler	Masimo

Agenda

14.00	Welcome and introductions for new members	All
14.05	Competition policy	All
14.10	Presentation: Outcomes registries programme	CF/GL
14.40	Minutes and actions review	All
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUG representative Invite the MDOR programme leads to this meeting NHS SC IMS programme updates to be shared with the group To collaborate on the education for customer facing colleagues, particularly the sales team and the aim is for these colleagues to obtain the knowledge base to drive curiosity at trusts about the S4S programme. Barcode surgery for providers – review with the wider GS1 UK industry engagement team and report back to next meeting Trust implementation tracker – meet with IW to discuss further 	All CF FW CF/JY GS1 UK GL/CF
15.00	Information	All
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GS1 UK update NHS SC IMS programme/UDI on medical consumable 	GL/CF FW
15.15	Education	All
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GS1 UK Barcoding success bitesize series review UDI one-pager for customer facing colleagues 	All CF/JY
15.35	Driving adoption/implementation	All
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barcode surgery for NHS trusts Trust implementation tracker 	All All
15.50	AOB	All

Minutes:

Item 1	Presentation
Item 2	Minutes and actions review
Item 3	GS1 UK update
Item 4	NHS SC IMS programme/UDI on medical consumable
Item 5	GS1 UK Barcoding success bitesize series review
Item 6	UDI one-pager for customer facing colleagues
Item 7	Barcode surgery for NHS trusts
Item 8	Trust implementation tracker

Item 1: Outcomes registries programme – CF shared the slides from Simon Snowden’s presentation in his absence.



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stries Programme_1.6

Item 2: Minutes and actions review

- No comments on the minutes from the last meeting. Action log to be shared before each meeting with the agenda.

Action CF: Share action log

Item 3: GS1 UK update

- Will be supporting the NHS Supply Chain (NHS SC) IMS programme by way of educating the new recruits and joining the trust workshops to educate trust staff and support the product audits
- GS1 UK is a member of the PIM Stakeholder Group
- Working with NHS England around closed-loop medicines management over the next few months
- Started receiving problem barcode labels from trusts via the new webform. Manufacturers can submit labels for checking at: <https://www.gs1uk.org/industries/healthcare/supplier-barcode-verification>
- Events:
 - <https://www.nhsconfed.org/events/nicon23-conference-good-practice-innovation-showcase>
 - <https://www.nhsprocurement.org.uk/events/hcsa-winter-conference-2023>
 - <https://www.hfma.org.uk/education-events/hfma-event/hfma-annual-conference-2023>
 - [International Forum on Safety and Quality in Healthcare, 10-12 April 2024](https://www.gs1uk.org/industries/healthcare/supplier-barcode-verification)

Action CF: Presenter for next meeting

Item 4: NHS SC IMS programme/UDI on medical consumable

- IMS to be rolled out across 20 trusts in England by 2024. Further communications will be released shortly, which will be shared with the group. Frankie Wallace is now the *Data Standards Engagement Manager* at NHS SC.
- Large deployment team has been recruited into the hospital services business unit. A new director joining in October. This team will be responsible for continued support over the five years of the programme and into the future as this is rolled out to further trusts. A small team of three/four will do into each trust to work with the system vendor.
- GS1 is the preferred coding standard
- Each trust must have a business case signed off to include not just the 25 per cent of the costs for the first two years, but 100 per cent of the cost for the further three years
- Trusts are actively requesting that medical consumables are barcoded at the lowest packaging level

Item 5: GS1 UK Barcoding success bitesize series review

- GS1 Barcoding success series – [Bitesize sessions](#)
- No feedback received from the group members

Action all: Barcoding success bitesize series - group members to provide feedback:

- Are the modules providing the right content for manufacturers?
- Right level? Too easy? Too difficult?
- Are objectives and aims clear?

Item 6: UDI one-pager for customer facing colleagues.

- The 'ask' is for a non-technical education for customer facing colleagues to 'drive curiosity' within the trusts about the S4S programme
- JY presented one the UDI one-pager that will be shared with the business
- Need here is for a one-pager that will introduce the Scan4Safety principles, as well as the UDI principles

Action CF: To produce the one-pager and share with the group in advance of the next meeting

Item 7: Barcode surgery for NHS trusts

- GS1 UK have created a webform for trusts to report barcode issues
<https://www.gs1uk.org/industries/healthcare/nhs-barcode-verification>
- Provisional date of March 2024 for a workshop in Leeds with trusts. Details to be confirmed.

Action CF: Update on the event at the next meeting

Item 8: Trust implementation tracker

- IW expressed concern about the low-level visibility of provider adoption of GS1 standards for scanning of barcodes on medical devices. Cook are investigating the possibility of launching a programme in the US to ask their top 100 customers about their levels of barcode scanning and what and where they are using this for.
- GH added, more than 95 per cent of medical devices are identified and barcoded using GS1 standards. UDI regulation is a driver for the adoption of GS1 standards. What is the question we are trying to answer? Where is this data held? Can we connect with the EHR providers who will have access to the data about barcode scanning that we want?
- The programmes throughout the UK are driving the introduction of more IMSs that include point-of-care scanning and barcode scanning for inventory management. The PIM programme aims to be a single point of truth for medical device data, which in turn can feed the numerous IMSs. The expectation is that this could be fed by manufacturers using the GDSN.

Next meetings:

2.00pm – 4.00pm Thursday 18 January 2024

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