GS1 UK Healthcare User Group (virtual meeting)
Wednesday 4 August 2021

Present

Andrew Crosbie – Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (AC)	Bayode Adisa – Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (BA)
Andrew Davies – NHS England and Improvement (NHSE/I) (AD)	Gillian Fox – DHL Life Sciences (GF)
Andrea Smith – Sheffield University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (AS)	Richard Price – University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust (RP)
James Mayne – University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (JM)	Neil Hind – NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE/I) (NH)
David Harris – East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust (DH)	Rachael Ellis – Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (RE)
Simon Walsh – Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (SW)	James Griffiths – NHS Wales (JG)
Gordon Oates – National Services Scotland (GO)	AnnMarie Shaw – Liverpool (AMS)
Glen Hodgson – GS1 UK (GH)	Natasha Smith – GS1 UK (NS)
Juliette New – GS1 UK (JN)	Jackie Pomroy – J Pomroy Consultancy (JP)
George Lawton – GS1 UK (GL)	Liz Ashall-Payne – Orcha (LP)
Sarah Atkins – GS1 UK (SA)	Emma Summers – NHS Digital (NHSD) (ES)
Luella Trickett – ABHI (LT)	Laura Prenton – NHS Digital (NHSD) (LP)

Apologies
Jo Goulding – NHS Digital
Marc Saaiman – South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Judie Finesilver – Pharmacy consultant
Ian Townend – NHSX (HUG chair)
Andrew Stevenson – British Healthcare Trades Association (BHTA)

Agenda

13.00 Welcome	Ian Townend
13.05 Competition policy	Glen Hodgson
13.10 MDIS update	Emma Summers
13.25 MMDA consultation process	Bayode Adisa
13.35 Staff ID	Ian Townend
13.40 Closed loop medicines administration workstream	George Lawton
13.45 Sustainability	Neil Hind
13.50 Scan4Safety business case	Dave Harris
13.55 NHS Wales update	James Griffiths
14.00 NHS Scotland update	Gordon Oates
14.05 Regional adoption group activities	
London adoption group	Juliette New
Call outs from pre-reads	All
14.15 National adoption dashboard	Glen Hodgson
14.20 Asset tracking	Rachael Ellis
14.30 Pathology	George Lawton

14.35 Loan Kit/SSD workstream	Juliette New
14.40 Feed us the Facts	Sarah Atkins
14.50 Any other business	All
14.55 Next meeting date and close	Ian Townend

Minutes

Item 1   Welcome
Glen Hodgson welcomed all, and introductions made.

Item 2   Competition policy
Glen Hodgson drew the attention of the meeting to the GS1 competition policy.

Item 3   Apologies for absence
Glen Hodgson reported that apologies had been received as shown above.

Item 4   MDIS update   Emma Summers/Laura Prenton
Emma Summers presented an update on the NHS Digital (NHSD) Medical Device Information System (MDIS). Emma is responsible for the NHSD Cumberlege programme supporting recommendations from the report and is the MDIS product owner.

- There are three project areas
  - A – pelvic floor information system
  - B – medical device information system
  - C – medicines information system
- MDIS is a five-year programme for a UK wide system focusing on high-risk devices for NHS and private providers
- Regulations for MDIS will be determined over next year to set out what data will be collected from whom and how it will be used
- Core services under MDIS – medical device data collection, medical devices surveillance, product information master (PIM), patient outcomes, recall, and patient and product registries
- Also have a web form or hybrid – where info cannot be sent electronically there will be a web form
- Working with
  - MHRA – what MDIS can do for them
  - GIRFT NHSE/I and GIRFT – clinical support
  - NICE and CQC to understand benefits for them
- Link to direction for pelvic floor information
- Starting with historical data from 2017 and routine collections from organisation
- Modular approach – core data module

Action 1   Slides and link to direction for pelvic floor information to be shared by LP to   **NHSD**   **16 Aug**
send to group

Item 5   MHRA consultation process   Bayode Adisa
- MHRA are create a future regulation of medical devices in GB – world class regulatory safety system that prioritises patient safety
- Informal consultation already taken place to get an idea of what people want to see
- Formal public consultation on future regulation in GB to be shared mid to late August
- Consultation open for ten weeks including what issuing identities should be used, nomenclature to be used e.g., EMDN or GMDN – range of different aspects to be included in the consultation
- Would like all to get involved with one person from each organisation to respond

- Early 2023 MHRA hope to be able to agree a position and finalise secondary legislation
- New medical device regulatory framework in force by July 2023

Future GB medical device regulation
- Few changes introduced in Jan 2021
- From Jan all classes of devices have had to be registered with MHRA but with grace periods

- Past first main deadline – May 2021 legal requirement for all class III, class IIb and active implantable devices to be registered with the MHRA
- Approaching next deadline in September 2021 for class IIb non-implantable medical devices and class IIa medical devices to be registered with MHRA
- MHRA now have one million registration submissions – half include higher risk devices
- Ambition to make the information publicly available and the registration data will be one of the main sources to MDIS

Action 2   Bayode to advise HUG members of public consultation date as soon as confirmed and provide link to page.

Item 6   **Workstreams**
❖ **Staff ID – Ian Townend**

Action 3   Roll over to next meeting due to Ian's absence   **IT**   **21 Oct**

❖ **Closed loop medicines administration (CLMA)**   **George Lawton**
Aim of the workstream was to provide clear visual of where GS1 standards fit into CLMA. Group already established. Consideration to whether the GDE toolkit should be updated as part of this workstream. AD mentioned d,m+d HE toolkit due to be launched at the end of the week.

Action 4   GL to set up next meeting to establish areas of focus including CLMA toolkit, transformation of aseptic services   **GL/JG**   **21 Oct**

❖ **Sustainability**   **Neil Hind**
- Agenda picking up pace. Massive increase in comms to CEOs reminding them of the Net Zero green agenda. Now regional MoUs in place. Every trust has to do a green return at the end of every quarter.
- New emerging standard – NHS Evergreen supplier sustainability framework for suppliers to state how green and sustainable they are.
- Department for transport are launching electric HGVs – nine to go into the NHS.
- Reuse, recycling agenda including pilots with reusable gowns and walking aids.
- LT – Most large corporates have own sustainability programmes. ABHI are trying to help. Most helpful if information requested from suppliers was standardised.
- AD – Medicines sustainability board led by Clare Foreman, director of medicines policy. Focus on supply chain environment, specifically inhalers in GP contract, inhalation anaesthetics and anaesthetic gases in trust standards contract. Sustainability fellow due to start in October. Opportunity to learn how data joins up along these different streams using GS1 standards.

❖ **S4S business case**   **Dave Harris**
- Most responses received on draft template. With GL to add final points and recirculate.
- JM – Emma referenced questionnaire for MDIS, and it would be beneficial to include to the business case.

Action 5   GL to review, include questionnaire and send amended template ahead of next meeting for review   **GL**   **27 May**

Item 7   **NHS Wales update**   **Jamie Griffiths**
- JG provided update for NHS Wales.
- Ministerial approval for S4S programme. Confirm that Omnicell are their IMS partner. The programme is an all-Wales programme working all health boards, with NWIS, Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW), and system wide adoption of GS1 standards.

NHS Scotland update   **Gordon Oates**
- GO provided an update for NHS Scotland
- Deloitte selected to produce a Scan4safety business case including core enablers and primary use cases. Business case will focus on stakeholder engagement and support from NHS Scotland and

- Scottish Government Health and Social Care Organisation to establish governance paving the way for future use cases.
- Initial programme business case will facilitate track and tracing of products and equipment, through acute care, UDI and patient and consultant level costing.
- Awarded Genesis the IMS contract starting in September with point of care scanning.
- Since 21 July workshop taken place to get feedback from NHS Scotland on potential standards.
- Up to central initiative to look at single national approach to implementation of GS1 standards.
- NHS Scotland are planning to use 'Track to Transform' in place of Scan4Safety.

Action 6   Connect SW with GO for shared learnings and relationship management approach with Genesis   **GL**   **Asap**

Item 8   **Regional adoption groups update**   **Juliette New/All**
- JN – London adoption group to be chaired by David Lawson, chief procurement officer at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust.
- ICS approach with 34 hospitals. Looking to gain support from Dr Vin Diwakar, chief clinical digital officer, Ann Johnson, finance director and Sir David Sloeman, regional director. Plan to discuss governance and accountability.
- Inaugural meeting to be held October.

- Pre-reads provided and circulated prior to meeting.
- DH advised that East Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust reached GO awards finalist. Trust will also be presenting at the awards on 15 September.

Item 9   **National adoption dashboard**   **Glen Hodgson**
Self-reported dashboard from trusts of baseline adoption of GSRN in wristband and GLNs. Baseline information:
- GSRN adoption is 46%
- GTINs is 26% – scanning in IMS to patient
- GLNs is 25%

Forecasted percentages for end of year:
- GSRN adoption is 52%
- GTINs is 34% – scanning in IMS to patient
- GLNs is 35%

Action 7   GH to update on adoption progress at quarterly meetings   **GH**   **21 Oct**

Item 10   **Asset management**   **George Lawton**
- Updated that initial meeting taken place to determine potential scope of guidance
- Initial content headlines shared by Fadi for review with group. RE updated re live implementation of RFID at Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust.
- Next meeting to be held in September to review content headlines. LT added that asset tracking is one of the new MedTech Directorate proposed priorities at DHSC.

Item 11   **Pathology**   **George Lawton**
- GL presented pathology as potential workstream based on feedback from the group.
- AD – raised that a discussion with pathology and diagnostics transformation team would be useful. There is a current national programme around the LIMS systems.
- AD offered to introduce us to Jane Mills, head of pathology transformation programme and also David Gibbs, also working on the programme.

Action 8   Create new workstream group to look at pathology scope and GS1 UK guidance in relation to pathology and to contact AD for introductions   **GL**   **21 Oct**

Item 12   **Loan Kit/SSD workstream**   **Juliette New**
- Looking to understand if further guidance needed from a loan kit perspective.
- SW – advised that JP did a piece of work for HCSA on loan kits that could be incorporated potentially.
- JP – HCSA did best practice guide for loan kit management operate.
- DH – implementing module for loan kits and some of the kits do not have the GTINs.

Action 9   JN to meet with JP to discuss HCSA document and best way forward   **JN**   **21 Oct**

Item 13   **Feed us the Facts campaign**   **Sarah Atkins**
- Sarah Atkinson shared the work done on the Feed us the Facts campaign to improve information provision in alignment with Natasha's Law.
- Food packaging is the 7th least trusted source of data for the UK population.
- The aim is for greater transparency across the food supply in order to inform and protect consumers.
- GS1 UK will also be looking at instances on hospital cases that have been aligned with allergens to understand the impact.
- Keen to facilitate discussions on technology to support the problem.

Item 14   **AOB**
- AD –started a piece of work reviewing all NHS medication manufacturing including questions about uptake of GS1 standards and still how to connect this area back in.
- SW – HCSA new chief officer to be announced on Monday.

Future HUG meeting dates
- 21 October 10am–12pm to be held at the Royal College of General Practitioners – lunch will be served after the meeting and all are invited to attend our AGM post lunch.

Please find the address below:

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