

# GS1 UK healthcare user group minutes

## Wednesday 21 March 2024, 2:00pm–4:00pm

### Virtual meeting – Microsoft Teams

#### Present:

Ian Townend, NHS England – HUG chair (IT)	Nick Woodier, Healthcare Services Safety Investigation Body (HSSIB) (NW)
Richard McVeigh, Health and Social Care Northern Ireland (HSCNI) (RM)	Akinluyi (Didi) Emmanuel, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (AE)
Frankie Wallace, NHS Supply Chain (FW)	Paul Wright, NHS England (PWr)
Anna Stec, NHS England (ASt)	Mark Songhurst, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (MS)
Paras Shah, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (PS)	Amanda Creane, GS1 Ireland (AC)
Andrew Smallwood, NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership, NHS Wales (ASm)	Tracey Francis, Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW) (TF)
Dave Harris – Lancashire Procurement Cluster (DH)	Andrew Stradling, NHS London Procurement Partnership (ASt)
Tracey Herlihey, NHS England (TH)	Simon White, NSS NHS Scotland (SW)
James Mayne, University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (JM)	Dr Julia Coombes, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) (JC)
Rachael Ellis, Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (RE)	Hanida Tomlinson, NHS England (HT)
Mark Kendall, Health and Social Care Northern Ireland (HSCNI) (MK)	Jasleen Rehal, Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) (JR)
Graham Walsh, Health Innovation (GW)	Maxine Chappell, NHS England (MC)
Jackie Pomroy, Independent consultant (JP)	Dr Kelsey Flott, NHS England (KF)
Richard Cox, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (RC)	Simon Walsh, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (SWa)
Chris Florey, GS1 UK (CF)	George Lawton, GS1 UK (GL)
Glen Hodgson, GS1 UK (GH)	

## Apologies:

Luella Trickett – Association of British Healthcare Industries (ABHI) (LT)	Judie Finesilver – Independent consultant (JF)
Jo Goulding, NHS England (JG)	Lindsay Robertson, NSS NHS Scotland (LR)
Alistair Meek, NHS Shared Business Services (Ame)	Meabh Smith, Health Service Executive Ireland (MSm)
Marc Saaiman, South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (Msa)	

## Competition policy



Competition Law  
Caution 2023.pptx

## Action log



HUG action points  
March 2024.xlsx

## Minutes

### GS1 UK update: GL

- New Hospital programme (NHP) – workshop held with NHSE NHP team and Mott McDonald to process map traceability of products across supply chain to hospital site
- Amna Khan Patel and JG – upcoming meeting to discuss pharmacy round table
- Scan4Safety advisory group collaboration
- Supporting NHS trusts with NHS Supply Chain (NHSSC) IMS deployment roll out

### Events

- 12–13 March – Digital Health Rewired – EPR engagement opportunity with EPIC and Oracle Health/Altera
- 8 Feb – HSJ Digital Transformation Summit – successful panel session with Dr Kelsey Flott, Tomas Sanchez Lopez, Kevin Percival and Raj Vanthanami
- 18–19 April – HSJ Provider Summit – Ted Baker, Nnenna Osuji, Lee Bond – panel and group session
- 10–12 April – International forum for Quality and Safety – Two posters being presented: Tallaght Hospital, Ireland and Leeds Teaching Hospitals, England
- Planning to attend P4H Scotland event on 25 April and NHS Scotland event on 10 June

### Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) medtech update: JR

- Over past month evaluation of a number of suppliers bidding for alpha phase of the PIM database process – soon to choose supplier
- Reached end of process and informing chosen supplier in next few days and they should be starting at beginning of April
- Sending emails to all stakeholders who want to be involved
- High-level plan of what they are trying to do
- Also sending a survey to engage people from different organisations to help kick start the user research

### **NHS England update: KF**

- Hosted the Scan4Safety advisory group, which brings together GS1 UK, NHSSC, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), NHS England (NHSE) Outcomes and Registries Programme and NHSE commercial directorate
- Focused heavily on comms recently. Launched the new Scan4Safety (S4S) website and NHS Futures platform. The NHS Futures platform has more practical material for organisations working on S4S whereas the website is more public facing.
- Advisory group has brought S4S together and have a clear message but need to be getting message out more and talking to people across different forums
- Bringing S4S work to the NHSE quality committee to highlight the work being done so driving priority within NHSE
- ASt is working on piece of work on benefits and measurements of benefits from trusts who have adopted S4S
- Also looking at how S4S can improve patient safety for closed-loop medicines and blood transfusion

### **MHRA medical devices update: PS**

- Continue to work on regs/PIM with DHSC and International Recognition Policy still stands
- In January, the MHRA published the regulatory roadmap which can be found here: [Regulatory Roadmap points the way ahead for new measures to support safe access to medical technology including AI and diagnostics – GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/674442/Regulatory_Roadmap_points_the_way_ahead_for_new_measures_to_support_safe_access_to_medical_technology_including_AI_and_diagnostics_-_GOV.UK_(www.gov.uk).pdf)
- The implementation page was updated at the same time: [Implementation of the Future Regulations – GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/674442/Implementation_of_the_Future_Regulations_-_GOV.UK_(www.gov.uk).pdf). All the info we can share right now is on this page.

### **NHS Supply Chain: FW**

- Two teams up and running in the In Hospital services business unit – Centre of Excellence (CofE) team and deployment teams
- CofE role is benefits realisation – keen to capture baseline, explain and validate the benefits – creating a benefits toolkit and forecasting tool
- Cameron Kantar has led work with Nils in NHSE, updated savings framework and methodology – aiming to make it as transparent as possible and aligning with NHSE's forecasting
- Encouraging consistent approach around inventory management, making sure consistent processes with AsIs/ToBe approaches
- Work done with Barts to look at how NHSSC can support on supply chain issues and management of logistics
- Doing work and engagement on a data standards policy which is near to being published with GS1 being the preferred coding standard
- Structure for IMS framework with NHS SBS to go live shortly
- Part of the S4S advisory group – ensuring consistency in activity
- More engagement now with the Federated Data Platform (FDP) and supporting with the supply chain use case for the programme
- Deployment status – four trusts – West Suffolk, Sandwell and West Birmingham, Rotherham and Newcastle, all with operational partnership agreements signed off

**Action:** IT highlighted the potential for the enterprise architect team to map out the capability into the NHSE capability map

## **NHS Wales programme update: ASm and TF**

### **ASm**

- Programme kicking on despite some delays. Information governance (IG) took a lot longer. Welsh Ambulance Service also gone live. Cancer centre is final area.
- Results starting to come out of the system so engaging other areas. Momentum is improving.
- Hit all targets bar one – volume and value transacted through the system has exceeded. Savings – delivered £1.2 million so not on target but IG was the blocker to this.

### **TF**

- Produced two draft standards for GTIN and GLN. Reviewed AIDC standard. With Tracey for a second review. Drafted Welsh health circular to review with Welsh government.
- Planning patient wristband workshop as wristbands not currently GS1 compliant

## **NHS Scotland programme update: SW**

- Two pilot sites for point of care scanning:
  1. NHS Lothian focus on benefits realisation. Had six-month review workshop about what can start to evidence and looking to roll out at other areas at NHS Lothian.
  2. Golden Jubilee – Live across cardiac surgery, ophthalmology and orthopaedics
- Next is Western Isles and have two health boards lined up for next year already
- Funding confirmed for next year. Still working on the medical device data hub and integration with third party systems including Genesis.
- Kicking off discovery work on medical equipment
- Developed a framework on the data and analytics piece and developing the target operating model
- [Website](#) has been revamped

**Action:** IT highlighted the point that we need to cross-share case studies. NHS Scot comms team and GS1 UK marketing are already aligned. GL to ensure case studies are shared across borders.

## **Workstreams update: GL**

### Staff ID

- Exploring the Global Service Relation Number (GSRN) as a verified credential as part of the Digital Passport Programme
- Exploring how GS1 standards are used as verified credentials in other countries

### Loan Kits

- Exploring loan kits at North East and North Cumbria to obtain best practice examples
- Now reestablishing original group

### OPCS codes

- In review currently as further feedback received

### S4S business case review

- Approved at meeting. Link below.  
[https://www.gs1uk.org/sites/default/files/Scan4Safety\\_business\\_case\\_template\\_2024.docx](https://www.gs1uk.org/sites/default/files/Scan4Safety_business_case_template_2024.docx)

## **Presentations**

**Health Services Safety Investigations Body (HSSIB), our role and recent reports,** Nick Woodier, Senior Safety Investigator



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NAL.pdf

**Data Protection and Digital Information Bill - Mandating Information Standards for Health and Adult Social Care via Legislation,** Hanida Tomlinson, Programme Manager, NHS Transformation Directorate, NHS England



DPDI Bill - GS1.pdf

- IT stated that GS1 standards are part of the existing DAPB standards and would be considered as part of the work of this moving forward
- There is no impact on Digital Technology Assessment Criteria (DTA) other than that the DTAC may have more content There is no impact on Digital Technology Assessment Criteria (DTAC)other than that the DTAC may have more content

**Action:** RE attended HIMSS conference and provided an overview of the experience. IT asked RE to share her presentation at the next meeting.

- EA is working on post-market intelligence looking at how they can implement regulation and innovation in this space. It is in a discovery phase supporting the implementation of standards.
- One of the key lines of enquiry is looking at incident data and how can this data be shared more and how can this data be standardised

**Action:** EA to provide an update at next meeting 12 June

### **Next meeting dates:**

Wednesday 12 June

Tuesday 10 September

Thursday 7 November - TBC