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Healthcare supplier adoption group facilitated by GS1 UK  
Meeting #5

**Agenda and minutes**

Thursday 18 April 2024, 14.00–16.00 GMT

**Invited**

CB	Caroline Beecham (Chair)	BD
GiL	Gideon Lake (Co-chair)	Teleflex Medical
CF	Chris Florey	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
EC	Ann Cole	Baxter
FW	Frankie Wallace	NHS Supply Chain
RB-T	Robin Bell-Taylor	Cardinal Health

**Apologies**

MD	Malcolm Dobson	B.Braun
DO	David Oakes	Cardinal Health
GL	George Lawton	GS1 UK
TC	Tony Coulson	Steeper Group
MB	Michelle Brill	3M

**Did not attend**

RM	Ricky McCoy	Smith + Nephew
PP	Penny Pei	Smith + Nephew
SH	Shauntell Harper	Smith + Nephew
HM	Haide Masters	Cardinal Health
MM	Marina Madokoro	J+J Medical
DF	Dawn Fowler	Masimo
CC	Clare Clarke	Amity International
HS	Hélène Sauvage	Teleflex Medical
AM-C	Amber Harrison-Crudge	J+J Medical
VG	Vicky Green	Medtronic

**Agenda**

14.00	Welcome	All
14.05	Competition policy	All
14.10	<b>Presentation:</b> UDI triggers and GS1 healthcare GTIN allocation rules.	Ian Whitham, GS1 healthcare leadership team (HCLT) member, Cook UK
14.40	<b>Minutes and actions review</b>	All
	To share bite size series with less experienced colleagues for feedback.	JY
	S4S one-pager review	All
	NHS SC Supplier Requirements Draft Guidance shared with the group for feedback by 9th February	All
	To investigate what barcodes are being applied to fluid bags at Baxter.	AC
	To discuss this future supplier event internally and set up further meetings to update the group.	GL/CF
15.00	<b>Information</b>	All
	GS1 UK update	GL/CF
	NHS SC IMS programme	FW
15.15	<b>Education</b>	All
	Customer facing colleagues training session	All
	S4S/UDI forum, June 20 2024	CF
15.35	<b>Driving adoption/implementation</b>	All
	S4S one-pager	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
- Item 5 Customer facing colleagues training session
- Item 6 S4S/UDI forum, June 20 2024
- Item 7 S4S one-pager for customer facing colleagues

**Item 1: Presentation**

- UDI triggers and GS1 healthcare GTIN allocation rules – Ian Whitham, GS1 healthcare leadership team (HCLT) member, Cook UK and Dennis Black, UDI Program Director, BD (HCLT member)
- Ian, Dennis, and Chris presented the proposal to review the rules to align them with regulatory requirements and avoid unintended consequences for manufacturers, healthcare providers and registries
- The UDI triggers working group will present to the HCLT before it moves forward to the Board Committee for Standards (BCS). If approved launch a new MSWG (Mission Specific Work Group) and proceed based on the GSMP process and project plan

**Item 2: Minutes and actions review**

- No comments on the minutes from the last meeting

**Action AC:** To confirm the date for Baxter to introduce GS1 DataMatrix for fluid bags and to introduce marketing colleagues to discuss promotion/case study

**Action CF:** To continue to adapt the bitesize recordings following the feedback

**Item 3: GS1 UK update**

- Chris reported on the various events and activities that GS1 UK has been involved in to engage with digital and clinical leaders across the NHS and showcase the benefits of GS1 standards. He also invited the group to the scan for safety and UDI forum on 20 June.

**Action GL:** What was the flavour of feedback from delegates to the panels/exhibition that GS1 UK recently attended?

**Item 4: NHS SC IMS programme**

- Frankie provided an update on the policy and guidance documentation, which will be published on the website next week. She plans to participate in the NHS SC supplier webinar series in June to answer questions about the policy.
- Frankie provided an update on the IMS programme. The team is recruiting more people to support the deployment team and is trying to maintain consistency across the NHS. They are also recruiting a clinical engagement manager to support the deployment team.

**Action FW:** Present a UK-wide update on S4S from the four nations at the next meeting

**Item 5: Customer facing colleagues training session**

- CF proposed FOC GS1/S4S training for group member companies

**Action all:** Take the suggestion of training back to your organisations

**Item 6: S4S/UDI forum, June 20, 2024.**

- Save the date and call to speakers sent to stakeholders including MHRA/S4S programme leads in England, Scotland and Wales, trade associations, suppliers, GS1 GO

**Action CF:** Send 'save the date' to the group members

**Item 7: S4S one-pager for customer facing colleagues**

- CF presented the latest S4S one pager and immediate feedback received
- Too much detail. This should be the 'elevator pitch'. What's in it for me?
- Segmented by benefits for: patient safety/procurement/finance/healthcare professionals

**Action GiL:** Reach out to CF regarding leveraging the team of customer-facing professionals who deal with high-level procurement people and shape the message for the hook for that customer

**AOB:**

**Action CB:** Reach out to Luella at ABHI to understand what involvement they and their members have with the DHSC PIM programme

**Action IW:** Compose a letter from the group to the DHSC PIM programme formally requesting input from manufacturers

**Action CF:** To invite group members to follow GS1 UK on social media platforms

**Next meetings:**

2.00pm – 4.00pm Thursday 18 July

2.00pm – 4.00pm Thursday 17 October