
GS1 UK Healthcare User Group Meeting Minutes 1 March 2016

Present

Owen Inglis Humphrey	Department of Health (Group Chair)
David Weatherby	GS1 UK (Group Facilitator)
Barbara Fallowfield	BIVDA
Glen Hodgson	GS1 UK
Jackie Pomroy	NHS South of England Procurement Services
Jenny Gough	Molnycke (by phone)
Judith Mellis	ABHI
Judie Finesilver	Commercial Medicines Unit
Felicity Cooke	techUK
Paul Glanville	NHS Supply Chain
Andrew Crosbie	MHRA
Mandy Hollis	Milton Keynes Foundation Hospital
Virginia Minogue	NHS England
Barry Frostick	HSCIC

In Attendance

Frankie Wallace	Department of Health
Juliette New	GS1 UK
Janice Kite	Department of Health
Susan Grieve	Department of Health
Jan MacDonald	MHRA

Apologies

Terence O'Kelly	Scottish Government
Michael Sinclair	Dorset County Hospital Trust
Andy Smallwood	NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership - Procurement Services
Rachael Hughes	3M

Agenda

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12. Date & time of next meetings
- Tuesday 3rd May
Proposed Tuesday 5th July
Both at GS1 offices from 10.30 through to 13.30

Minutes

Item 1 Welcome and competition policy

Dave Weatherby drew the attention of the meeting to the GS1 Competition policy

Item 2 Apologies for absence

Dave Weatherby reported that apologies had been received as shown above

Item 3 Introductions

The meeting welcomed Felicity Cooke from techUK who was replacing Natalie Bateman as the representative from techUK and also Barry Frostick who was representing the HSCIC

Item 4 Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes had been distributed by email in advance of the meeting. However, some HUG members had been unable to open the minutes. The minutes were therefore not accepted for publication on the GS1 UK website.

ACTION: Dave Weatherby to find out what the problem was and ensure it does not recur. Also send out the minutes again for approval before making them available on the GS1 UK web site.

Andy Crosbie reported that he was working on a draft document to be input into the process for defining the European recall notification requirements following the introduction of the FMD regulations. It is assumed that notifications will require the inclusion of the product's UDI. In the meantime, he is working with David Weatherby on how manufacturers can be encouraged to include GTINs in their existing field service notices.

Item 5 Update from Members

- **Rep ID update – Barbara Fallowfield**

Barbara Fallowfield reported that the joint NHS/industry workgroup on representative ID, which is chaired by Prof Sue Hill, is meeting on 11th April with the target of delivering a clear plan by June 2016. However, Barbara was concerned that a number of commercial schemes are already being taken up by trusts and it may be too late to introduce a single not for profit scheme.

- **Supplier Update - Frankie Wallace**

Frankie Wallace reported that she had recently met with Stephanie Hill, Association Manager at Barema.
A chaser has been sent to suppliers reminding them to fill in the Department of Health's supplier questionnaire.
An adoption plan template for medical device suppliers is expected to be released by the end of March.
The top 200 suppliers have been invited to workshops in Leeds and Salisbury. Over 80 suppliers plan to attend.
Jason Hale, with support from Judie Finesilver, is reviewing all the data pools that contain information about medicines to provide input into the specification of how medicines should be handled in the eProcurement strategy.
A Department of Health web portal for suppliers is being developed with release expected by the end of March 2016. Suppliers will need to register to get access.

- **FMD – Jan MacDonald and Susan Grieve**

Jan Macdonald gave a presentation on the Falsified Medicines Directive. (The presentation will be sent to HUG members). Other points raised were

- The UK law can specify more requirements than in the FMD itself, equally that law can reduce some of the flexibility documented in the FMD itself
- The UK is setting up an Implementation Board to consider the detailed issues involved in the practical implementation of the directive.
- The Dept. Health is also considering what additional uses should be made of the 2D barcode on medicines required by the directive.

ACTION: Susan Grieve to send more information on the Implementation Board and the various work streams once these have been agreed.

- **Certification and Compliance – Janice Kite**

Janice Kite presented the current proposal for how the Department of Health will monitor the progress of trusts, suppliers, solution providers and managed service providers towards full implementation of the GS1 and PEPPOL standards. Monitoring will be based on a six monthly self-declaration of progress against a pre-defined action list. Information about compliance progress will be shared. The Department of Health plans to tender for a formal and independent accreditation process, from year 3 onwards stakeholders may choose to undergo this option.

The monitoring process will be known as the "Assurance Program" A check list form for monitoring progress of medical device suppliers, probably based on Survey Monkey, will be piloted with 5 suppliers starting 31 March 2016.

Janice provided a spreadsheet of the proposed check list and time lines which will be distributed to HUG members together with the PowerPoint presentation itself.

It was suggested that the self-declaration form should include the GLN of the organisation filling it in.

Judith Mellis and Barbara Fallowfield suggested that an SME should be included in the pilot and offered to provide contacts from their membership.

ACTION: Janice to send the spreadsheet that will be used to monitor trust progress to Dave Weatherby for distributing to HUG members.

Item 6 Update from sub group chairs

- **Staff ID - Virginia Minogue**

Virginia Minogue reported that a number of meetings and interviews had been carried out. The results to date show that there are many applications where a barcoded badge would be valuable. However, the badge should be seen as an enabler rather than an application in its own right. It was also important to differentiate between the possible uses of a badge for identification, for authentication and for location.

For medical staff, including agency staff and paramedics, there are clear benefits in being able to link the staff identifier to professional registration.

It will be important to address any possible privacy concerns.

- **Managed Service Provider - Paul Glanville**

Paul Glanville reported that good progress was being made and the draft guide was on track for the 1st April. The draft will then be distributed more widely for comments.

- **Decontamination – Jackie Pomroy**

Jackie Pomroy also reported that good progress was being made. Visits had been organised to see decontamination processes at Isle of Wight, Southampton and Portsmouth. A first draft of the decontamination guidelines should be available by 3rd May

Item 7 Report from DH

Owen Inglis Humphrey reported that of the 12 trusts considered for demonstrator status 11 were attending the monthly Delivery Group. This group had reviewed and endorsed the Assurance Program previously described by Janice Kite. The Delivery Group trusts are being challenged to communicate their activity through PR, press and events ensuring that they include the "key messages"

The term "Scan4Safety" is currently being used to describe the GS1 adoption programme.

The Department of Health is compiling information on which solution providers and applications are implemented in each trust and will make this information available.

The Department of Health has set up a "(virtual) Board and Engagement Group" which will meet three times per year. It is made up of board members from the Delivery Group trusts. The Virtual Board will include a similar range of roles and responsibilities as a normal trust board. The Board's objective is to provide a board perspective on the roll out of GS1 and PEPPOL standards.

ACTION: Owen to distribute the "key messages".

Item 8 Report from GS1

Glen Hodgson reported that the Clinical Study discussed at the last meeting would commence on the 14th April

Glen reminded the meeting about the GS1 UK Conference which was progressing well with excellent speakers and ten master classes on various specific topics.

Item 9 Items to commence/progress

- **UDI Data Retention - Andy Crosbie**

A small group, consisting of Andy Crosbie, Judith Mellis, Mike Kreuzer, Terry O'Kelly, Dave Weatherby and Neil Piper had reviewed the proposal on the retention of UDI product data made by Terry O'Kelly and which had been distributed to the HUG previously. Andy had reservations about the practical issues related to holding product data for 100years. There were also concerns that it may be too late to impact the development of the EU UDI regulations. However, the group thought the issues were important and should be brought to the attention of the next EUCOMED UDISC meeting.

ACTION: Dave Weatherby to send the paper to Ulrike Kreysa for including in the UDISC agenda together with a covering note explaining that the HUG agreed that the issue was important although there were differing views on what could or should be done.

- **Direct part marking report**

David Weatherby reported that Neil Piper was having difficulty getting responses from some of the technology suppliers who appeared to have RFID based solutions for tracking surgical instruments. Judith Mellis offered to assist in getting responses from their members. The direct part marking report would be available for the next HUG meeting.

10. Communications & PR

- **Upcoming events – Coordinate attendance and speakers**

Owen Inglis Humphrey noted that there were many healthcare related events run by a broad range of organisations such as BIVDA, ABHI, ABPI, HSJ, HFMA, GS1. It would be helpful to co-ordinate attendance and/or speakers at these events and also to ensure that there was a consistent message about GS1 and PEPOL adoption.

It was agreed that it would be helpful to have two standard PowerPoint slides about GS1 and PEPOL adoption which HUG members could use in any presentation.

ACTION Owen to create 2 slides and distribute to HUG members
Dave Weatherby to add a standing item on the HUG agenda to review speaking opportunities and any learnings from participation in events

- **GS1 Healthcare Providers Advisory Council (HPAC)**

Dave Weatherby drew the meetings attention to the HPAC monthly webinars. These webinars are presentations by healthcare providers around the world about their implementations of GS1 standards.

Jackie Pomroy had recently presented the GS1 implementation at Portsmouth to the HPAC webinar which had been very well received. Kevin Downs will be presenting the implementation in Derby operating theatres at the next HPAC webinar.

More information, is available at http://www.gs1.org/healthcare/hpac_webinars

Item 11 Any Other Business

Mandy Hollis regretfully announced her resignation from the HUG due to pressure of work. However, she would try to arrange for a replacement.

Item 12 Date and time of next meetings

The following future meeting dates were confirmed.

Tuesday 3rd May 2016

Tuesday 5th July 2016

The meetings will be held from 10.30 through till 13.30 at GS1 offices and will be followed by a buffet lunch.

The meeting closed at 13.00