GS1 Healthcare US

New Member Information

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About GS1

GS1® is a neutral, not-for-profit, global organization that develops and maintains the most widely-used supply chain standards system in the world. GS1 Standards improve the efficiency, safety, and visibility of supply chains across multiple sectors. With local Member Organizations in over 110 countries, GS1 engages with communities of trading partners, industry organizations, governments, and technology providers to understand and respond to their business needs through the adoption and implementation of global standards. GS1 is driven by over a million user companies, which execute more than six billion transactions daily in 150 countries using GS1 Standards.

About GS1 US

GS1 US®, a member of GS1 global, is a not-for-profit information standards organization that facilitates industry collaboration to help improve supply chain visibility and efficiency through the use of GS1 Standards, the most widely- used supply chain standards system in the world. Nearly 300,000 businesses in 25 industries rely on GS1 US for trading-partner collaboration that optimizes their supply chains, drives cost performance and revenue growth while also enabling regulatory compliance. They achieve these benefits through solutions based on GS1 global unique numbering and identification systems, barcodes, Electronic Product Code-based RFID, data synchronization, and electronic information exchange. GS1 US also manages the United Nations Standard Products and Services Code® (UNSPSC®).
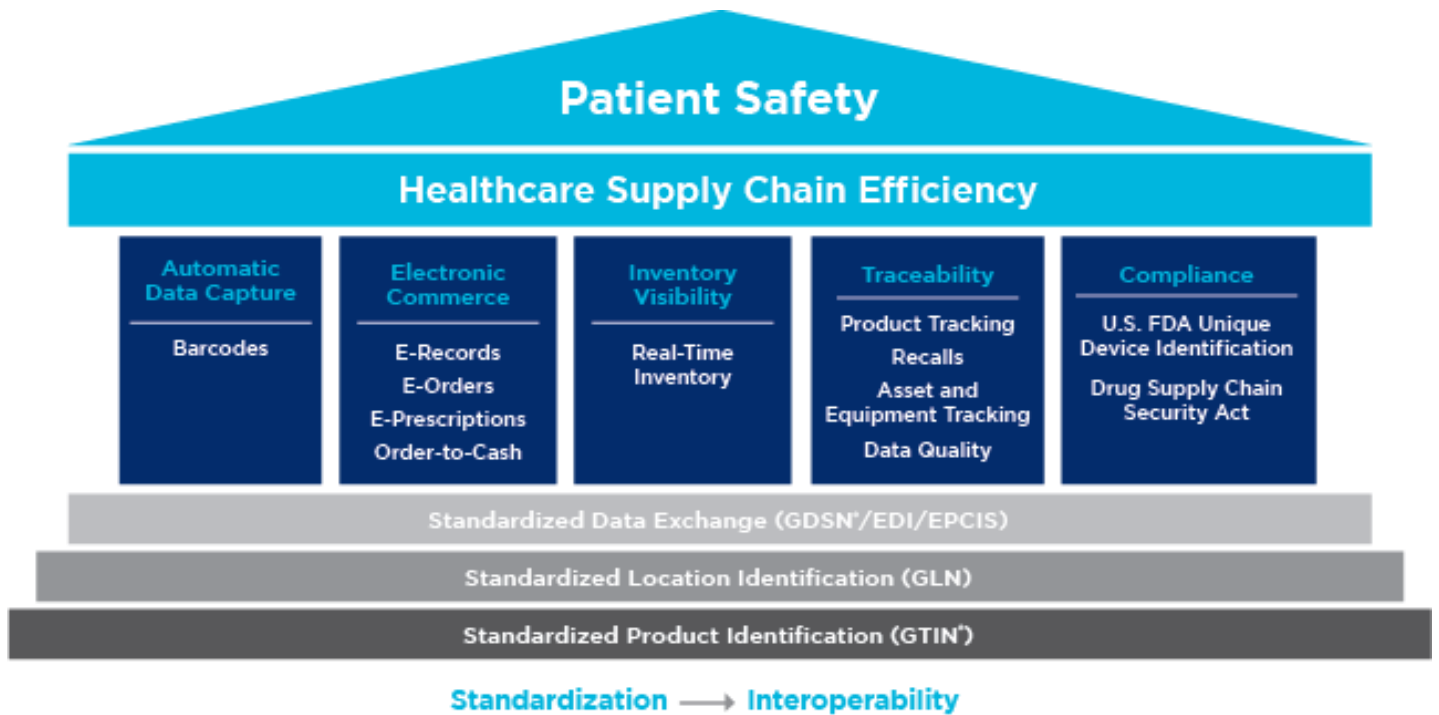
About GS1 Healthcare

GS1 Healthcare is a global, voluntary healthcare user group developing global standards for the healthcare supply chain and advancing global harmonization. GS1 Healthcare consists of participants from all stakeholders of the healthcare supply chain: manufacturers, wholesalers, and distributors, as well as hospitals and pharmacy retailers. GS1 Healthcare also maintains close contacts with regulatory agencies and trade organizations worldwide. GS1 Healthcare drives the development of GS1 Standards and solutions to meet the needs of the global healthcare industry, and promotes the effective utilization and implementation of global standards in the healthcare industry through local support initiatives like GS1 Healthcare US® in the United States.

About GS1 Healthcare US

GS1 Healthcare US® is an industry group that focuses on driving the adoption and implementation of GS1 Standards in the healthcare industry in the United States to improve patient safety and supply chain efficiency. GS1 Healthcare US brings together members from all segments of the healthcare industry to address the supply chain issues that most impact healthcare in the United States. Facilitated by GS1 US, GS1 Healthcare US is one of over 30 local GS1 Healthcare user groups around the world that supports the adoption and implementation of global standards developed by GS1.

1   GS1 Healthcare US

Patient Safety

Healthcare Supply Chain Efficiency

Automatic Data Capture	Electronic Commerce	Inventory Visibility	Traceability	Compliance
Barcodes	E-Records E-Orders E-Prescriptions Order-to-Cash	Real-Time Inventory	Product Tracking Recalls Asset and Equipment Tracking Data Quality	U.S. FDA Unique Device Identification Drug Supply Chain Security Act

Standardized Data Exchange (GDSN°/EDI/EPCIS)

Standardized Location Identification (GLN)

Standardized Product Identification (GTIN°)

Standardization ⟶ Interoperability

GS1 Healthcare US® is an industry group that is driving forward open, global standards to help healthcare companies improve the accuracy, speed, and efficiency of the U.S. supply chain, ultimately improving the safety of the U.S. care delivery system.

Through the collaboration and cooperation of companies and organizations throughout the U.S. healthcare supply chain, GS1 Healthcare US is making it possible for healthcare to move toward adopting GS1 Standards for identifying, capturing, and sharing data as the foundation for improved business and care delivery processes.

2 GS1 Healthcare US Structure

2.1 Executive Leadership Committee

The GS1 Healthcare US Executive Leadership Committee (ELC) is elected to represent the participating industries in the healthcare space, and is governed by the GS1 Healthcare US Charter. The Executive Leadership Committee is responsible for working with the general GS1 Healthcare US membership to:

- Develop and drive the overall GS1 Healthcare US strategy and work plan
- Represent GS1 Healthcare US to external healthcare-related groups and organizations

2.2 Industry Sponsor Group

The GS1 Healthcare US Industry Sponsor Group (ISG) is comprised of one primary contact for each member organization. Each member organization receives one seat on this group. The ISG elects the ELC.

2.3 Technical Advisory Committee

The GS1 Healthcare US Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is comprised of the Co-Chairs that self-nominate to lead the workgroup calls. Each workgroup has between one to three Co-Chairs. The Technical Advisory Group meets once per quarter.

2.4 Workgroups

2.4.1 Medical Device Community

2.4.1.1 GTINs in Practice

This group provides support for Global Trade Item Numbers® (GTIN®) as Unique Device Identifiers (UDI) for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), including publication and maintenance with the Global Data Synchronization Network™ (GDSN®) as applicable. All UDI-related work will be focused on the risk-based approach utilized in the U.S. FDA UDI Rule (Class III, then Class II, etc.).

2.4.1.2 Price Accuracy Initiative

This group examines use of GS1 Global Location Numbers (GLN) in the Medical Device Chargeback Process in collaboration with the Health Industry Distributors Association (HIDA) Price Accuracy Steering Committee. The primary focus of the workgroup is customer identification and best practices using GLN to improve pricing accuracy between stakeholders.

2.4.2 Pharmaceutical Community

2.4.2.1 Rx Secure Supply Chain

The workgroup will support pharmaceutical supply chain members in their efforts to use GS1 Standards for business and regulatory purposes. The current focus of the group is to provide guidance on how to use GS1 Standards to address requirements in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA).

2.4.2.2 R1.2 Implementation Guideline

This group is responsible for developing and publishing the Implementation Guideline applying GS1 Standards to U.S. pharmaceutical supply chain business processes for the U.S. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) lot-level management and item-level traceability. This guideline based on the GS1 General Specifications, the EPC Tag Data Standard, the Tag Data Translation Standard, the EPCIS Standard, and the Core Business Vocabulary Standard.

2.4.3 Provider Community

2.4.3.1 Provider Advisory Group

This group provides a forum for provider member organizations to collaborate.

2.5 Community Group Calls

Community Group calls, in general, are opportunities for "like interested" groups of leaders within GS1 Healthcare US to discuss the state of affairs of their community with regard to how GS1 Standards may impact topics of concern.

2.5.1 Combined Community Call

Calls discuss pharmaceutical, provider, and medical device industry issues and potential standards-based solutions, and initiate workgroups to address the issues.

2.5.2 Open Industry Calls

External industry calls allow the leadership within GS1 Healthcare US to interact with the greater supply chain or industry with regard to the work accomplished within GS1 Healthcare US. These calls may be used to inform, educate, influence, and/or elicit feedback from companies who are not members of GS1 Healthcare US.

2.5.3 GS1 Healthcare US Open Industry Call

Provide cross-industry conversation in and out of GS1 Healthcare US.

3   Member Benefits

- Provide leadership and expertise to shape the future of the industry.
- Engage with peers and supply chain partners in a collaborative working environment.
- Share and learn best practices for improving business and care delivery processes.
- Gain insight into the challenges and opportunities at each "stop" along the supply chain.
- Help define standards-based solutions to support regulatory requirements for FDA, UDI and DSCSA.
- Benefit from GS1 US expertise, education and support services.

4   Participation

Your participation shapes the future of the U.S. healthcare supply chain industry by driving the adoption and implementation of GS1 Standards. Our members share the following reasons for staying involved and active in the GS1 Healthcare US initiative:

- Strengthen trading partner relationships
- Work alongside trading partners and competitors to implement GS1 Standards
- Share knowledge and leverage best practices and implementation success stories
- Work with companies who see their mission and vision as vital in making healthcare more affordable and safer for the U.S. community

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6   GS1 Healthcare US Key Resource Links

- *GS1 Healthcare US Website*

- *GS1 US Community Room* (healthcare workgroup space: join groups, view documents, calendars, etc.)

- *GS1 Healthcare US Events* (view details and register for virtual and live events)

- *GS1 Healthcare US Education* (view on-demand and attend live educational opportunities)

- *Healthcare Implementation Tools & Resources* (wide variety of topics available)

- *Healthcare Case Studies* (read about value obtained from implementation examples)

- *GS1 Healthcare US Initiative Members*

- *Workgroup Meeting Days / Times*

New Healthcare Member
CHECKLIST

☐ Watch for your organization to be listed in the *New Member* section of the bi-monthly member newsletter delivered via email from GS1 Healthcare US.

☐ Look for the GS1 US Community Room *Welcome Email* from admin@community.gs1us.org. If you don't see it, confirm with your IT department that this email address has been added to the safe sender list. Then, request a new welcome email from the admin.

Once you receive the *Welcome Email*, you have (7) days to reset your password. After (7) days, request a new welcome email from admin.

Login to the GS1 US Community Room at https://community.gs1us.org/join

Join groups by clicking on available *Join Group* links on some Group Homepages.

(Note: some groups are set-up by governing bodies that require limited access.)

☐ Participate in educational opportunities via virtual and live events. Watch our website for various topics:
- Virtual Events information and registration at: https://www.gs1us.org/education-training/resource-library#/score/DESC/0/education/?Industry=Healthcare
- Live Events information and registration at: https://www.gs1us.org/industries/healthcare/events

☐ If you know of a company that would benefit from participating in the Initiative, send us their contact information at ghealthcareus@gs1us.org. We will reach out to them.

☐ Ensure changes to company and contacts are promptly reported to: ghealthcareus@gs1us.org

☐ Watch for your company's membership dues invoice to be delivered via email to the billing contact beginning 90 days prior to due date.

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