



Healthcare industry news

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Standards in action across healthcare

Our focus is to work collaboratively with industry to support improvements to safety and quality in Healthcare through the implementation of GS1 standards.

This newsletter highlights some of the initiatives within the local and global community where GS1 standards play a role in improving Healthcare.



Considering the impact and benefits of Unique Device Identification (UDI) for Australian hospitals and patients

As the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) works to finalise Australia's Unique Device Identification (UDI) requirements, we recently published an article in Australian Hospital and Healthcare Bulletin to help guide Hospitals in their planning to utilise 'UDI' in the future.

[Read the article](#)



Webinar: Improving Medical Device Management through the use of GS1 standards

Join Simeng Wang from The First Affiliated Hospital of Zhengzhou University in China on April 27th as she shares their journey of implementing standards to ensure quality and safety within the services they provide. Just some of the benefits she will discuss include improved billing, greater traceability and enhancement to many other processes.

[To register](#)



Latest updates related to European Medical Device Regulations

As progress continues towards the successful transition of Europe to their new Medical Devices Regulation, several new items are worthwhile noting if you have medical device products being sold into the EU member states.

[New EU Commission UDI Helpdesk](#)

[Q&A on the implementation of transitional provisions for MD & IVD](#)

[EU Commission Consultation single identifier for similar highly individualised devices](#)



TGA Update: Dual-labelled medicines begin the transition to sole medicine ingredient names

The dual labelling period for most dual-labelled medicine ingredient names will end on 30 April 2023. Medicine sponsors have 3 years to update labels to show only the new name for these ingredients.

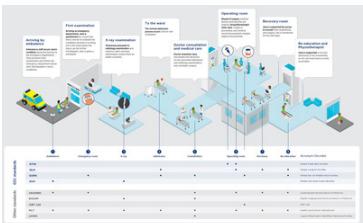
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Scan4Safety in Action: Delivering enhanced patient care at Blackrock Health Hermitage Clinic

Scan4Safety started in England but is spreading around the world as healthcare focuses on improving patient safety and collecting data to drive decision making within hospitals. This new video from Blackrock Health in Ireland is a great example of another implementation of the Scan4Safety principles.

[View the video](#)



'Standards 101' — Foundations to underpinning Australian health and care

With the increased focus on achieving 'clinically integrated supply chains' and improved digital capability generally across healthcare, this recent article in Australian Hospital and Healthcare Bulletin strives to help demystify the standards landscape, highlighting how the standards fit together to make interoperability a reality.

[Read the article](#)



Improved access to National Product Catalogue (NPC) data

As part of an initiative to deliver improvements to the NPC for Australian Healthcare, we are excited to advise that a new more dynamic mechanism for recipients to access data from the NPC will soon be launched. The 'Healthcare Item Data Lake' will provide a more searchable tool using APIs to add to the existing offering to recipients.

[Find out more](#)



Save the date – GS1 Global Healthcare Conference 2023

The **38th GS1 Healthcare Conference** is scheduled to take place in **São Paulo, Brazil** from **3-5 October 2023**. Further information about the conference will be provided soon, so stay tuned!



New dates added: GS1 Basics for Healthcare Webinars

Our series of complimentary webinars are designed to support the Australian healthcare sector in its understanding and implementation of GS1 standards. Topics include UDI, Pharmaceutical labelling and Scanning Accuracy with more topics and special events to come.

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Understand GS1 services that support the healthcare sector

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