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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.



Australian bushfire disaster

Sadly, the tragedy of the bushfires has touched many of our family, friends and GS1 community over the past few months. Though many of you may already have donated to one of the organisations supporting the recovery process we have included some links below.

[Red Cross Disaster Relief and Recovery](#)

[Salvation Army Disaster Appeal](#)

[World Wildlife Fund Bushfire Emergency](#)



Pharmaceutical product labelling – Important reminder

As pharmacists continue to report issues with medicines being labelled with more than one GTIN where they have two barcodes, we would like to remind manufacturers to please check your products to ensure that you are using the same identifier within both your EAN barcode and your GS1 DataMatrix.

[Multiple barcode guidance](#)

Important TGA updates – Medical Devices and InVitro Diagnostics

Several regulatory changes were announced on 10th January 2020 to help align Australia with other global regulations. These updates relate to Software as a medical device, Personalised medical devices, IVD companion diagnostics and the reclassification of devices.

[Read the updates](#)



Join the conversation: GS1 Global Healthcare conference 24 – 26 March 2020

The detailed program is now available for the GS1 Global Healthcare conference will take place in Paris, France. A great place to learn and connect with global peers.

[Find out more](#)



Updated EU MDR/IVDR Rolling Plan

This rolling plan (updated quarterly) contains the list of essential implementing acts and actions during the transition period.

[Access the latest plan \(Dec 2019\)](#)



EU Medical Devices Nomenclature - CND

For those companies needing to comply with EU MDR and IVDR regulations, this new guide into the CND (Classificazione Nazionale Dispositivi medici) Nomenclature may provide useful detail.

[Access the guide](#)



GS1 Basics for Healthcare Webinars are back in 2020

As part of supporting the healthcare industry in implementing GS1 standards to meet regulatory and trading partner needs, we offer a series of complimentary webinars covering UDI, Pharmaceutical labelling, Scanning Accuracy and Standards in Hospitals

[View dates and details](#)



HPAC Webinar: January 21st - Utilising GS1 barcodes for improved patient safety with reference to retail POS systems

GS1 hosts webinars from health providers around the world talking about how they have implemented standards to enable safety, efficiency or other key improvements to patient care. In January, Mr Makoto Sawada, research associate in the Department of Anaesthesiology, will explain how best practice in retail served as their example for patient safety at Tokai University Hospital Japan.

[To find out more](#)

Training and events

Don't miss the specific training GS1 provides to support healthcare implementation of standards. New dates for 2020 coming soon.

Classroom:

- [Barcode Basics for your Business](#)
- [Identification & Barcodes in Healthcare](#)
- [National Product Catalogue user training](#)
- [EDI – Complexity simplified](#)

Webinars:

- [How to meet Unique Device Identification \(UDI\) requirements](#)
- [Scanning accuracy - Ensuring barcode quality in Healthcare](#)
- [Basics of barcoding for pharmaceutical labelling](#)
- [GS1 standards in hospitals - Ways to increase patient safety](#)

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