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# Healthcare industry news

## February 2024



### 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.



With **Sotiris Tsiafos-Tsiaras**  
Hospital Pharmacist, Supply Chain Operations  
at 401 General Army Hospital of Athens.

## Optimising Hospital Pharmacy Operations using GS1 Standards

If you missed the recent webinar on "Optimising hospital pharmacy operations using GS1 standards" with Sotiris Tsiafos-Tsiaras Hospital Pharmacist Supply Chain Operations at 401 General Army Hospital of Athens, the good news is that it is available online for you to watch now.

[Watch now](#)



## A GS1 Healthcare success story

There are around 40,000 surgical instruments at Tokyo Medical and Dental University Hospital. Using the GS1 DataMatrix encoding GS1 Global Individual Asset Identifier (GIAI) on all 40,000 surgical instruments, including dental equipment such as handpieces has made it possible to track and trace items.

[Read the story](#)



## Save the date

The Digital Health Festival is fast approaching! Get your tickets and come see the future of healthcare, 7-8 May 2024 at Melbourne's MCEC.

[Learn more](#)



## A year of significant milestones for GS1 standards in healthcare

2023 has been an impactful year for Scan4Safety and GS1 standards adoption in healthcare. Glen Hodgson, Head of Healthcare at GS1 shares his thoughts with patient safety at the heart.

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## Important EU MDR/IVDR Updates

The European Commission recently released updated timeframes across various parts of their EUDAMED Roadmap. For any manufacturers selling products in the EU, we recommend you review this information.

[Access the roadmap](#)



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Health**  
Therapeutic Goods Administration

## Don't miss the latest update on Australian Unique Device Identification

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) have been engaging with industry around the implementation of UDI for several years. If you need to know the latest visit their website to access tools, webinars and more.

[Visit the UDI webpage](#)



## 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 unique events to come.

[Find out more](#)



## Understand GS1 services that support the healthcare sector

GS1 Australia provides several services that have been created in conjunction with the Australian healthcare sector. To find out more background before you subscribe, we host regular information sessions via webinar.

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## Need help?

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