GS1 UK healthcare user group
Wednesday 6 September 2023

Present:

Ian Townend, NHS E – **CHAIR (IT)**	
Andrea Smith – Sheffield University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (AS)	Sarada Chunduri-Shoesmith - NHS E (SCS)
Frankie Wallace - NHS SC (FW)	Paul Wright – NHS E (PW)
Gillian Fox – DHL (GF) in person	Mark Songhurst – The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (MS)
Maxine Chappell – NHS E (MC)	Siobhain Duggan, GS1 Ireland (SD)
Paras Shah – MHRA (PS)	Amanda Creane, GS1 Ireland (AC)
Andrew Smallwood – NWSSP, NHS Wales (AS) in person	Jennifer Lambert – DHSC (JL) in person
Dave Harris – Lancs Procurement Cluster (DW)	Andrew Stradling – LPP (ASt)
Rachael Ellis – Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (RE)	Simon White – Scottish Government (SW)
Luella Trickett – ABHI (LT) in person	Simon Walsh – Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (SW) in person
Judie Finesilver – Independent Consultant (JF) in person	Lindsay Robertson – NSS NHS Scotland (LR)
Natalie Hackford – GS1 UK (NH)	George Lawton – GS1 UK (GL) in person
Natasha Smith – GS1 UK (NS)	Glen Hodgson – GS1 UK (GH) in person
Juliette New – GS1 UK (JN)	

Apologies:

James Mayne – University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (JM)	Dr Julia Coombes – MHRA (JC)
Jackie Pomroy – Consultant (JP)	

10:00 – 11:00 In person and virtual meeting

Agenda:

10.00	Welcome and introductions	Ian Townend / All
10.05	Competition policy	George Lawton
10.10	Minutes from last meeting and actions log (attachment)	Ian Townend

Updates:

10:15	GS1 UK update	George Lawton
10:20	DHSC Med Tech update	Jennifer Lambert
10:25	NHS England Transformation Directorate programme update	Sarada Chunduri-Shoesmith/Ian Townend
10:30	MHRA medical devices update	Paras Shah
10:35	NHS Supply Chain update	Mark Vallentine
10:40	NHS Wales programme update	Andy Smallwood
10:45	NHS Scotland programme update	Lindsay Robertson/Simon White
10:50	GS1 UK supplier adoption group	Chris Florey
10:55	Workstreams update	George Lawton

Workstreams:

Existing:

- Staff ID
- Loan Kits
- OPCS codes

Any other business   All

Next meeting dates: Virtual meeting 6 December and 2024 dates   Ian Townend

11:00 – 12:00 In person theatres visit, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust:

11:00 – 11:45 Group visits to theatres departments

11:45 – 12:00 Back to boardroom for final discussion

Minutes

Item 1   Welcome, introductions and apologies
Ian Townend (IT) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Item 2   Competition policy
George Lawton (GL) drew the attention of the meeting to the GS1 competition policy.

Item 3   Minutes and action log
Minutes from last meeting were approved as accurate by the meeting attendees (attached).
Outstanding actions highlighted by GL and log updated. Log sent in email with minutes.

HUG action points
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Item 4   GS1 UK update   **George Lawton**

- Supporting International forum for Quality and Healthcare, London April 2024 . Poster submission close 1.11.23
- Conference attendance planned – HETT, NHS Wales, NICON, HCSA and HFMA conferences. Speaker/panel sessions at HETT, NICON, HCSA.
- [Article](#) printed in The Telegraph by Sir Terence Stephenson
- EPIC engagement now with EPIC team. Engagement with System C leading to NHS trusts creating DCB1077 complaint wristbands

Item 5   Department of Health and Social Care - Med Tech update   **Jennifer Lambert**

- PIM will be single source of truth for basic static Med Tech data
- Plan to start with proof of concept, later looking to go out to procure a supplier / developer by the end of the year
- MHRA are working to share their register data (see Paras' update), and this will form the foundation of the PIM data. Suppliers will be able to amend any errors in their data and users of PIM will be able to flag any issues for suppliers to review.
- Proof of concept will be tested – currently working on the plan for testing (e.g. how many / who is involved in testing).

Item 6   NHS England TD programme update   **Sarada Chunduri-Shoesmith and Ian Townend**

Sarada
- Changes in Digital Clinical Safety team move from Transformation Directorate to Medical Directorate led by Aiden Fowler which is a positive move for Scan4Safety
- What resources can be provided this financial year? Constraints on staffing, resourcing and budget, so focus for Scan4Safety this year is to provide support and guidance – quietly launched website [S4S website](#) and intending on iterating this to make useful
- NHS Futures page for those that want to converse will have a Q&A page on the platform

Ian
- Adding content to website over next twelve months and looking at comms on website soon

Item 7   MHRA medical devices update   **Paras Shah**

- CE mark extension (now statutory instrument has been laid) available on the website acceptance of CE marked devices until 2023
- Regulation of [post-market surveillance](#) still in WHO notification stage, should be laid in December and then six month transition period after that
- Plan still in place for other regulations in force by July 2025 for work around other regulations
- Engagement with approved bodies, healthcare professional and international recognition for medical devices
- Looking at taking all data for medical devices and putting it out there for data curation

Item 8   NHS SC update   **Frankie Wallace**
- Main responsibility to deliver an IMS and POC solution for NHS
- Engaging with 60 trusts currently
- Pipeline of 20 NHS trusts NHS SC are looking to work with which is taking shape
- Agreement signed with first five trusts – comms to come out soon
- New business unit of deployment specialists and centre of excellence team in which Frankie sits

- Frankie has been preparing a policy statement which states GS1 as the preferred coding standard and wants to include clinical consumables moving forward – trusts clearly want to see barcoded labels on packaging – engagement with industry required
- Communicating more broadly about this at the HCSA
- Looking at gaps from a catalogue perspective on GTINs
- Issue with catalogue export

Item 9   NHS Wales update   Andy Smallwood

- Two major steps forward – last health board in Wales went live with inventory management
- Other trusts – Welsh Ambulance Service, Welsh Blood Service and Velindre Cancer Centre in the next quarter
- In parallel work with NHS number – admin system sending patient data into Omnicell – not barcoding currently but drop-down box and using hospital number
- Broader data standards – Welsh govt oversight group will probably transfer over to NHS exec, either chief digital officer or patient safety group
- Now MDOR not MDIS, looking at this process and how they interact. Continued desire to use national data resource.

Item 10   NHS Scotland update   Lindsay Robertson and Simon White

Lindsay
- Point of care – went live on 28 August with first POC scanning site NHS Lothian – 37 procedures across the labs in radiology – ensuring capturing data on GTINs
- Scanning CHI number from wristband
- Great feedback from staff and benefits from efficiency about getting stock in, more confidence and trust in data and respond to stock enquiries than previously
- On to next couple of health boards after NHS Lothian, Golden Jubilee next and NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Simon
- Other areas of programme – last of boards in Scotland implemented Equip for asset management
- Developing target operating model – understanding what the future will look like
- Developing a medical device data hub, architectural design approved and have since had workshops to create what a minimum viable product will look like, hoping to have in place by end of the year
- Created a data analytics and reporting workstream to see what can be produced from the data
- Engaging with exec leadership teams on Scan for Safety to gather momentum behind the next phase of rollout

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Chris

- GS1 UK supplier adoption group now established
- Two meetings so far and bedding in currently
- Gone out to members because want more SMEs on board
- Have 18 different companies represented and will continue to promote this group to get more involved
- Aim is to provide more education and drive curiosity of Scan4Safety with their trust contact
- Frankie representing NHS SC on that group
- Recently launched a web form for trusts to use to submit problem barcodes. Please see link here
  https://www.gs1uk.org/industries/healthcare/nhs-barcode-verification

Item 10   Workstreams update   **George Lawton**

Staff ID
- Met with Phil Stradling to discuss GSRN as potential verified credential for digital passport programme and suggestion was to submit information on GSRN and share with the Professional Records Standards Body (PRSB)

Action: GL to contact PRSB to understand more about their organisation where GS1 standards fit

Loan Kits
- NE and NC have carried out maturity assessment and information has been presented back to the group on where they are at
- Next step is for those trusts to share their implementation experiences as to where they scored strongest on the maturity assessment. To be shared with the rest of the group.
- Plan is to get a regional overview of improvement in areas where trusts are weakest
- The group will use the maturity assessment to get an overview of current processes in the region and use this data to see where GS1 standards can be adopted in the process
- JP, who wrote the HCSA loan kit guidance)uidance, to attend next adoption group in NE and NC to help trust with toolkit and ultimately get a regional view

Action: Trust to share implementation experience at next NE and NC adoption group

OPCS codes
- OPCS guidance has some feedback that requires additional input from the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton Trust team

Action: GL to meet with team to establish future options to be included in guidance

Meeting closed due to face-to-face visits at MFT

Item 14   Next meeting dates   **Ian Townend**

Next meetings are:

- 6 December 2023
- 2024 dates:
  - Wednesday 13th March 10:00-12:00
  - Wednesday 5th June 10:00-12:00
  - Tuesday 10th September 10:00-12:00
  - Thursday 5th December 10:00-12:00

Action: GL to send dates out