



"GS1 standards are a fundamental part of our strategy for building a safer and more efficient NHS"

Pat Mills, Commercial Director, Department of Health



April 2014 – Department of Health's eProcurement strategy mandates that every hospital and every supplier of products and services into the NHS must comply with GS1 standards. The strategy suggests 3 core enablers - catalogue management, patient identification, location numbering



November 2015 – All 154 NHS Acute Trusts in England become GS1 UK members

"I think barcoding can make a huge difference to the way we run our major hospitals in England"

Lord Prior, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for NHS Productivity

January 2016 – 6 demonstrator sites announced with a share of £12m to implement GS1 standards February 2016 – Final Carter Review further endorses GS1 standards for NHS Trusts across England

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GLNs mapped to locations across Leeds Teaching **Hospitals NHS Trust**

November 2014 – Director General for Finance, Strategy and the NHS at the Department of Health sends letter asking Trusts to appoint GS1 Leads

November 2014 – "GS1 standards improve patient safety and quality of care by minimising the risk of errors occurring, and is also used for more effective and efficient supply chain management, resulting in significant cost savings" Personalised Health and Care Framework 2020

June 2015 – Interim Carter Review says GS1 standards can save every NHS hospital in England up to £3m each year





Annual saving of E300,000

in the consumables used in general surgery, imaging and cath labs at **Derby Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**



Integrating the supply chain at Guy's & St **Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust** estimated to save



of space



