Call to Action
GS1 Global Traceability Checklist for Healthcare (GTC-H)

Overview
The Global Traceability Standard for Healthcare (GTSH) was published in 2009 and is being implemented in the healthcare supply chain across the world. A GS1 Healthcare GTC accredited auditor along with local MOs undertook two implementation pilots of GTSH utilizing the GTC for Food published in 2009 as follows:

1. September 2009: National Centre for Hereditary Coagulation Disorders (NCHCD), St James Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
2. 9th/10th October 2014: Bernhoven Hospital, UDEN, Netherlands

Results from those pilots showed that 40% of the control points (CPs) were not applicable, mostly because they are not applicable to the healthcare environment. This included some Mandatory CPs MOs have requested to develop a GTC-H (specific to the healthcare environment) as it is seen as a useful self-assessment tool in addition to an audit tool.

What business challenges are being solved?
There is currently no tool (checklist) available to check implementations of traceability based on GS1 Standards, e.g. GTSH, in healthcare organisations (Manufacturers, distributors, hospitals, pharmacies etc.). However, this tool (checklist) is needed to assure compliance.

Objective of this group:
Create a Global Traceability Checklist (GTC) for Healthcare (GTC-H)

Standards impacted
None

Who should join this group?
Participants from Industry and GS1 Member Organisations (MOs) with knowledge and experience in:
- The healthcare industry
- Traceability
- Product recall
- Supply Chain
- GS1 System
- Global Traceability Checklist

How will group operate?
The group will conduct meetings as a sub team within Traceability and Event Sharing Standards Maintenance Group. The anticipated start date for this work effort is November 2015.

Meeting frequency/dates/times will be decided in consultation with group members (e.g. 90 minutes 0900-1030 EDT New York/ 1500-1630 CET Brussels every 1/3 Wednesday of the month). Two face-
to-face meetings per year are planned in conjunction with GS1 events.

**How to Join**

Please follow this link to join this work effort: Traceability and Event Sharing SMG

Steps to Join:
1. Set-up a [GS1 Community Room](#) account. If you already have a GS1 Community Room account go to step 2
2. a) eSign the [GS1 Intellectual Property Policy](#) and  
   b) eSign the [Work Group Opt-In Agreement](#) or [Automatic Opt-in (for all work groups)](#)
3. Request to join this group's Community Room: [Click here](#)

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**References**

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