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GS1 UK Healthcare User Group (HUG)

Members Biographies

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Jackie Pomroy

Chair of Healthcare User Group GS1 UK Head of Supply Chain, NHS South of England Procurement Services

A member of the Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply, Jackie is a supply chain professional with 25 years' experience in the healthcare sector leading change to drive efficiency delivering operational excellence resulting in financial benefits and streamlined processes.

Implementing IT solutions has been key to delivering change and she has been on selection panels for Pharmacy Dispensing Systems, lead implementations, provided training and support for Global Inventory Management Systems, implemented P2P, managed a MHRA WDL Pharmaceutical, medical and surgical distribution centre and is currently involved in Supply Chain improvement within the NHS implementing an Inventory Management Solution across two Trusts.

Jackie has been working with GS1, MHRA and numerous Suppliers since 2012 encouraging suppliers to the NHS to engage and implement GS1 standards. She chairs the GS1 Southern Adoption Group, a best practice group set up for NHS Trusts in the South of England. She believes full adoption of GS1 standards across the NHS will enable us to increase patient safety, whilst taking cost out of the supply chain.







Steve Graham

Programme lead – procurement, investment and commercial division, Department of Health

Steve Graham leads on NHS eProcurement policy at the Department of Health in England. He developed the NHS eProcurement Strategy, published by the Department of Health in May 2014, and leads a small team focused on delivery of *Scan4Safety*, a project to implement GS1 and PEPPOL standards in the NHS, working with six NHS Trust Demonstrator sites and the NHS supplier base.

Steve previously led the Innovative Technology Adoption Procurement Programme for the Department of Health, focused on increased adoption of medical technologies to improve patient outcomes whilst reducing costs. Steve has significant private sector experience, including: procurement roles in manufacturing; Commercial Director for the hospital division of a European pharmaceutical wholesaler; and Director for an innovative supply chain finance solution provider.

As an MCIPS-qualified procurement professional, Steve has led national, regional and local procurement teams in the NHS, and has set up and managed several regional NHS procurement organisations. He has managed warehousing and distribution operations, and led the national procurement of medical devices and services, particularly in the cardiac and disability sectors.







Andy Crosbie

Head of Biosciences and Implants Unit Head at MHRA Devices Division

Andy has over 25 years of experience working in MHRA and its forerunners on the safety and regulation of implantable medical devices with particular focus on joint replacement implants.

He played a key role in the establishment of the National Joint Registry and he is a UK expert for medical devices to the European Medicines Agency. Andy currently leads MHRA work on the use of Unique Device Identification for patient tracking and to improve patient safety and he is a member of the European Commission UDI working group.







Jo Goulding

Business Lead – Pharmacy Terminology NHS Digital

With a background in clinical pharmacy and academia Jo has worked in clinical informatics for over 17years with NHS Digital and forerunner organisations. Her focus has been on national pharmacy terminologies, producing medicines coding to standardise how medicines are described and communicated in support of the NHS journey towards the paper free vision.

Jo's main work has been on development, maintenance and implementation of the NHS dictionary of medicines and devices (dm+d) and SNOMED CT. dm+d is a dictionary of descriptions and codes (SNOMED CT codes) which represent medicines and devices in use across the NHS. It is the medicines standard that from 30th June 2017 MUST be used to communicate information relating to medicines used in the care of NHS patients in England.









David Lawson

Head of Procurement , Guys & St Thomas's Hospital

Following previous roles in Government David joined Guy's & St Thomas' hospital in 2001 and was made Head of procurement later the same year. David has a strong interest in Supply Chain Management and developing Supply Chain capability. In 2010 the team won the European Supply Chain Excellence Award for Supply Chain Innovation for introducing an off site consolidation and just-in-time supply chain model.

In the following year David led the deployment of a fully automated inventory management system from Ward to Theatre and across clinical supply and medicines. Currently David is taking forward two parallel projects, first to adopt an integrated supply chain model to consolidate the management of all material flows under one team and the adoption of the same 'amazon' style purchase to pay system (June 17go-live) used by Tesco and Argos.







Glen Hodgson

Head of Healthcare, GS1 UK

Glen joined GS1 UK in late 2014 as Head of Healthcare and is charged with supporting the NHS and the healthcare industry to deliver greater efficiency and a more robust approach to patient safety.

Glen is a highly accomplished senior executive, with over 15 years national and international experience operating at board level in a variety of operational and commercial roles within complex organisational structures inside the pharmaceutical/ healthcare arena with particular interest in caring for patients outside the hospital setting and rare diseases.







Judie Finesilver (Past HUG co-chair)

eBusiness Pharmacist, Commercial Medicines Unit Department of Health

Judie Finesilver studied pharmacy at Liverpool John Moore's University and subsequently moved to London. Working within hospital pharmacy procurement, provided Judie with insight into the capability of technology to assist in everyday aspects of pharmacy.

Creating an environment for electronic trading and an electronic database of local consortium deals provided useful background experience for the role of eBusiness pharmacist within NHS Purchasing and Supply Agency, (NHS PASA), now known as The Commercial Medicines Unit, Department of Health.

Judie's role is to harness the power of technology and auto-identification, to help pharmacists work smarter, and promote "patient safety", in the following areas.

- "closed loop dispensing" and interfacing with SCR/EPR
- eProcurement strategy
- electronic contract upload and the use of web catalogue of prices
- automation and robotic dispensing
- development of OBS for Homecare
- GS1 and dm+d standards
- UKChip council member
- Secretary to the Pharmacy Business Technology Group







Jane Hawkes

Head of Procurement & Supplies North Tees & Hartlepool Hospital

She is a strategic-thinking Procurement Professional with more than 28 years of experience in Procurement and contract management within both the Private and Public sectors.

The last 10 years have been focused within the healthcare sector where she has senior-level experience in Project management, policy direction, strategic business planning, change management and strategic sourcing. Jane was instrumental in obtaining board support for the project and for the creation and submission of the business case which resulted in North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust becoming a Scan4Safety demonstrator site.







Hugh Hamer Managing Director of Williams Medical Supplies and Squadron Medical

I have been with Williams Medical Supplies since 2006, assuming responsibility for Squadron Medical in 2016. An engineer by background previously spending 12 years with an OEM vacuum pump and compressor manufacturer focusing on the automotive and medical industry.







Claire Clarke – HUG Facilitator

Senior Engagement Manager, Healthcare Engagement , GS1 UK

My role with GS1 UK started in September 2014 and is to support adoption of GS1 standards within the Healthcare setting focusing predominately on Hospital Trusts. More recently I have taken on a national role supporting the NHS and the healthcare industry to deliver greater efficiency and a more robust approach to patient safety. I am an Accident & Emergency Nurse and enjoy the healthcare setting.

I have also worked for GSK for a number of years being responsible for the respiratory portfolio in the North of England. I have a real passion for ensuring that patients receive the best possible care maximising their outcomes. Outside of work I have a real passion for Rugby Union whether it's the children playing or the professional game.

