Safer Services for Patients
Innovative Traceability
Solutions at Children's
Health Ireland at Temple
Street

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Special Feeds Unit – The Feeds

Based on prescription from Dieticians



A) Ready to pour feeds



B) Prepared feeds - basic to complex feeds

Essential that each patient is given the right feed

Traceability is key to ensure visibility



Special Feeds Unit Paper Based Traceability





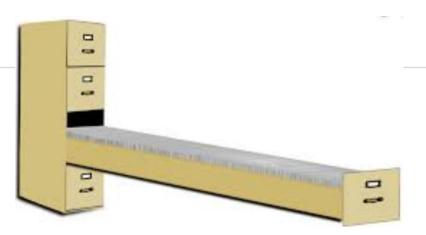


Daily Patient Feeds - Paper Based Traceability

- Multiple Paper Sources
- Manual Workflows
- **▶** Transcription Errors
- **▶** Lack of Integrated Product Management
- Duplication of Tasks
- Visibility of Workload











Product Recalls- Paper Based Traceability



6 months of records up to 16 lines per page



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Batch number recorded manually recorded on 2 forms

- **▶** Feed Preparation Form
- Delivery Form

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Product Recalls- Paper Based Traceability

Step 2: Find the products – can you see the batch number?



The Challenge Electronic Traceability







Aims & Objectives

Patient Centred Care

Reduces Repeat Tasks

Effective Management of Product Recalls

Reportable Outputs

Accurate & Timely Decision Making

Effective Communication

Standards Based

Facilitates Transparency

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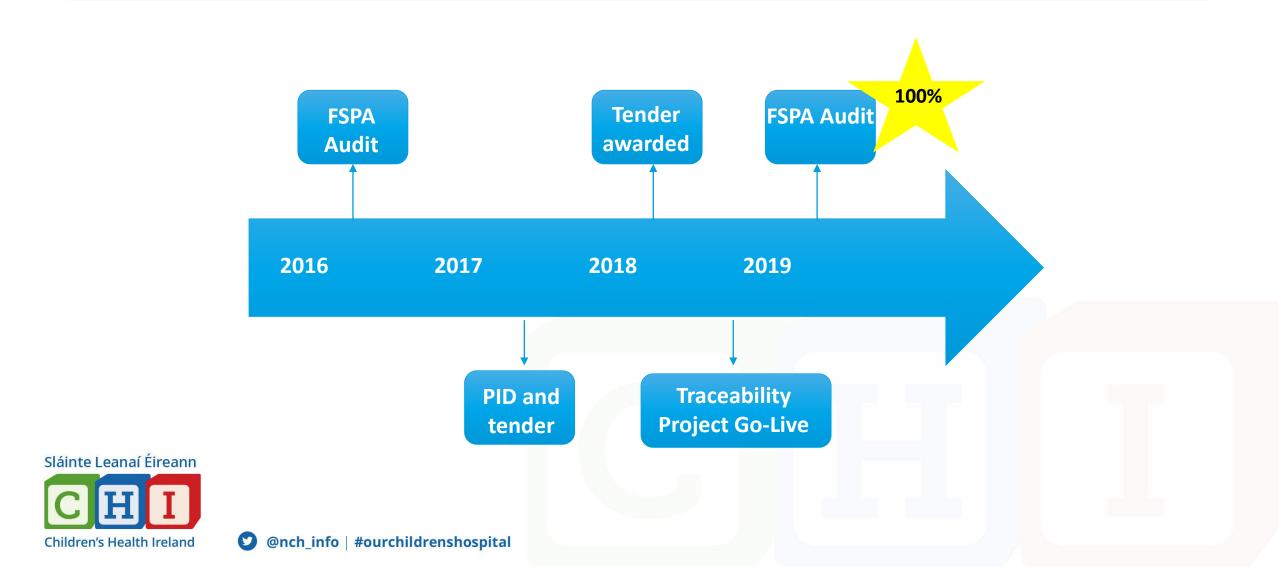
Special Feeds Unit implementing electronic traceability



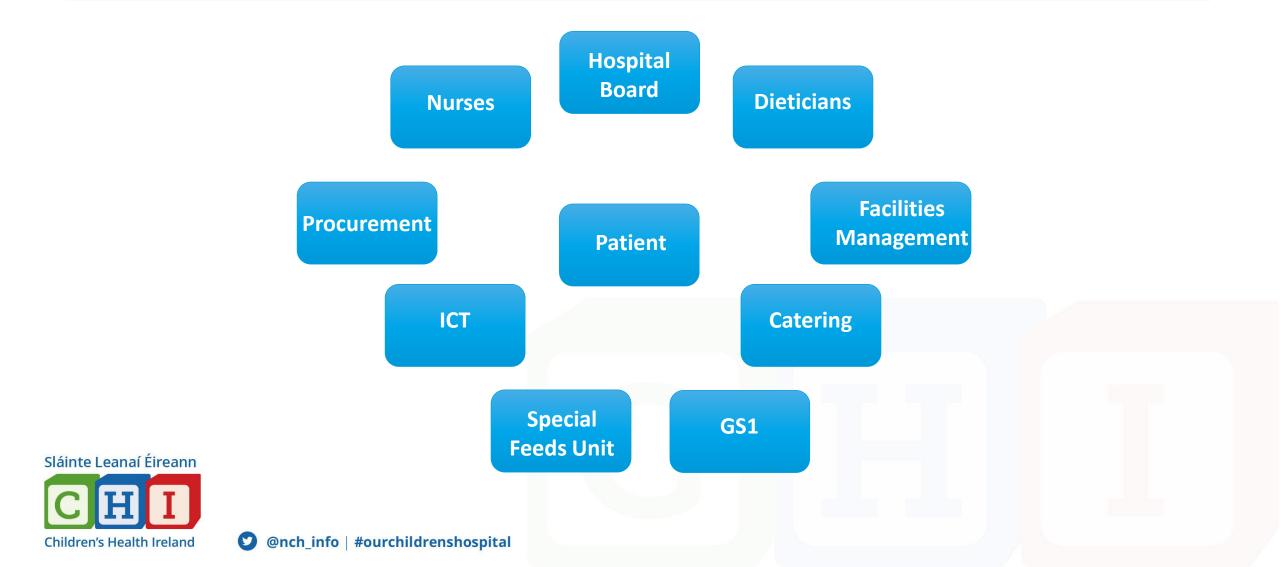




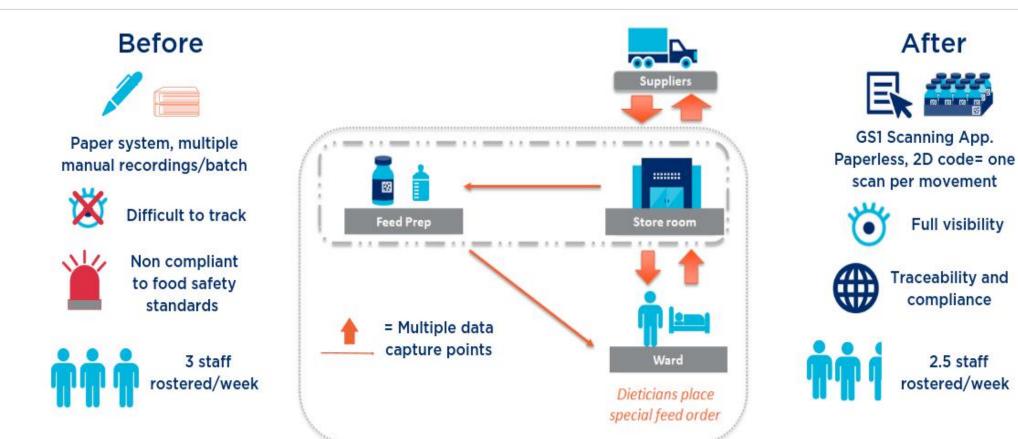
Timeline to implement electronic traceability



The key stakeholders for electronic traceability



Electronic Traceability – the new process



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Barcode identification is key to electronic traceability









Product







Place







Standards compliant barcodes for every dispatch location

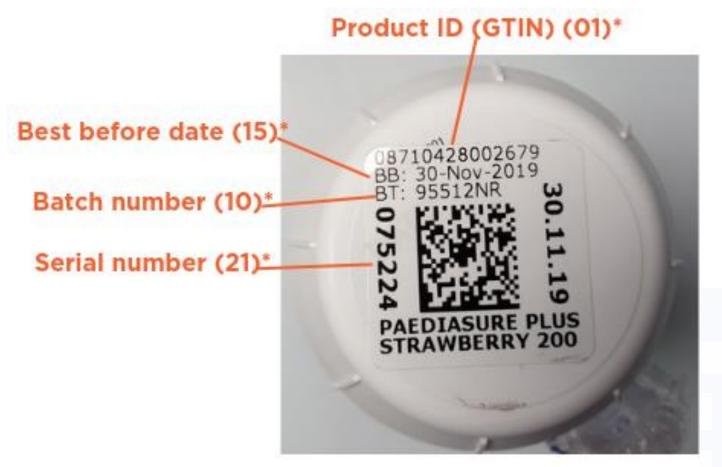


Not GS1 compliant yet





All products labelled with Serialised 2D barcode

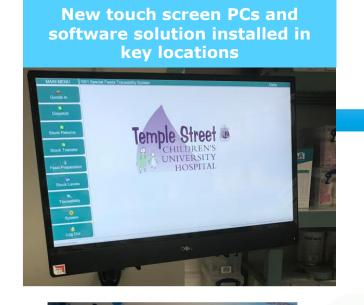


*Titles are abbreviated or missing due to label size being limited and not to obscure any text on original product label





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Requirements for the project



Hardware:

- 6 Touchscreen Pcs
- 8 Scanners (camera based 2D)
- 3 Wireless printers
- Labels (suitable for fridge/freezer)
- WIFI router to boost Wi-Fi

Software:

GS1 Traceability app





Reports

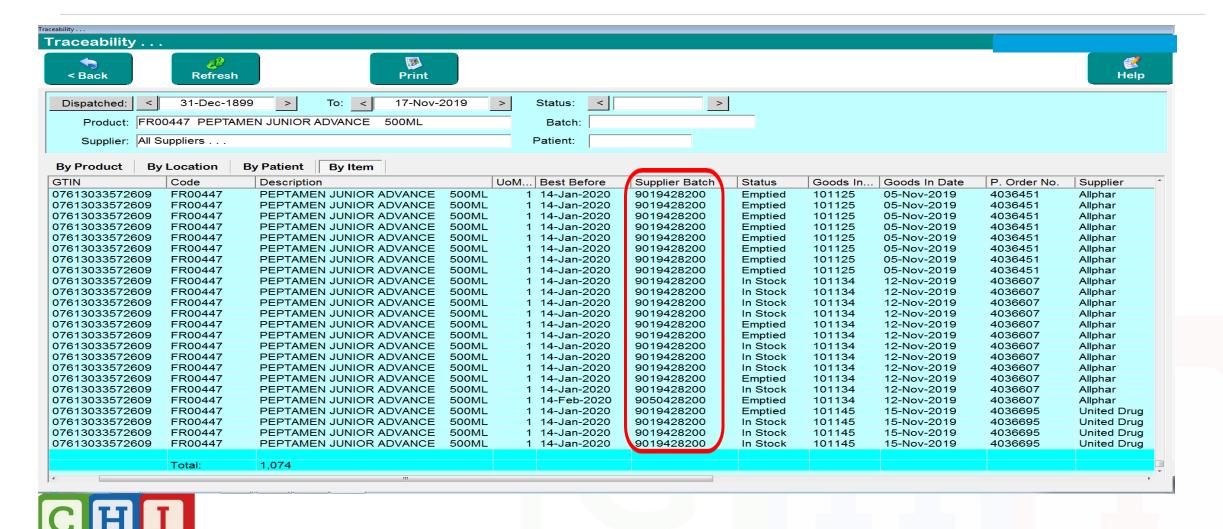


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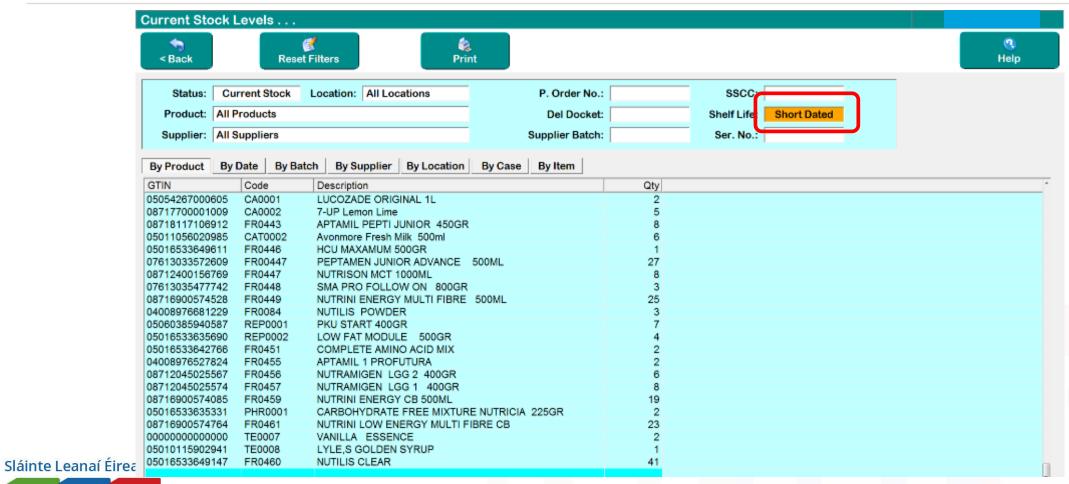


Report: Batch Numbers



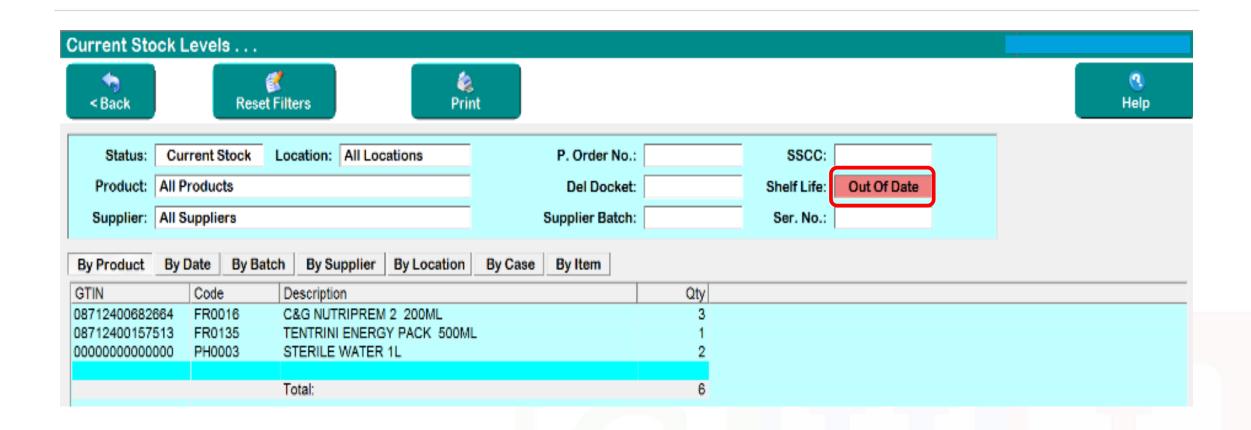
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Report: Short Dated Product



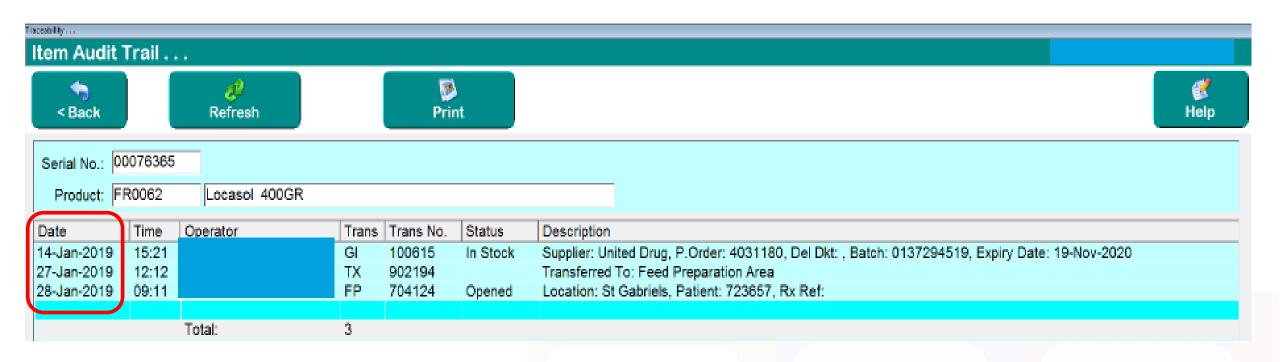
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Report: Out of date products





Audit Report: Product tracking





Outcomes and Benefits

- ▶ Electronic batch recall now possible
- Huge paper savings
- Staff engagement
- Patient safety benefits
- ▶ Reports/Audits at the touch of a button
- ▶ The estimated time savings are 0.5FTE for Dispatch/Stores & time saving for Daily freezer stock count
- Additional unexpected benefits (HACCP forms and process improvements)
- Widespread interest both internally and from other hospitals





Next Steps

Additional modules:

- Emergency feeds
- Add incubator module to track temperature
- Stock taking
- Scan the feed to Patient at ward level

Traceability opportunities in other areas of the hospital:

- Move to New Children's Hospital
- Catering
- Procurement
- Breast milk
- Assets





Lessons Learned on Traceability

- Technology and barcodes are there to support traceability for any hospital process
- People within hospitals and industry are not always aware of the opportunity
- ▶ Drivers can come from different areas (patient safety, financial, quality, etc.)
 - Special feeds > requirement to do electronic traceability to the patient in the ward





New Video Launched

Safer services for patients: Traceability of infant feeds



A case study by the Special Feeds Unit





https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PJKaLi1NMI4&feature=emb logo

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Best practice patient safety and traceability of infant feeds at CHI (Children's Health Ireland) at Temple Street



The Special Feeds Unit (SFU) at CHI at Temple Street looks after the storing, preparation and delivery of prescribed feeds to infants with special dietary preds. In 2016 the hospital was audited by the Food Safety Professionals

Association (FSPA). One of the findings of the audit was that there was a necessity to track feeds to the patient in the hospital for the purposes of patient safety and in case of product recall. It was agreed, as a matter of urgency, that a modern, time-efficient computerised traceability system based on standards was required by the unit.

Background

CHI at Temple Street is a 135 bed children's hospital in Dublin. The hospital cares for all types of patients and some require very specific care, such as metabolic patients. These patients need their weight, blood sugar and cholesterol levels monitored carefully to ensure better quality of life and to reduce the risk of a heart attack or stroke. It is vitally important that these patients receive the correct feeds. As a result, the Special Feeds Unit prepares and dispatches up to 400 patient feeds per day. The Special Feeds Unit also hold emergency feeds in a freezer for such patients, even when they are not an in-patient in the hospital, and these feeds must be checked and counted

The challenge: product recall

Following an audit conducted by the FSPA in 2016 it was recommended that the hospital implement an electronic traceability system for special feeds The previous process was paper-based and time consuming. If the hospital received a recall notice from a supplier, they had to manually hunt through paper records from the last six months to identify what patients had received that batch as well as to locate the tins of product with that batch number so that no further product could be distributed. This information was often difficult to locate on the product and hard to read. Additionally, staff had to find all the recalled product within the hospital and there were no physical controls in place to automatically ensure that recalled product was no subsequently issued to patients.

Outcomes and Benefits



this new initiative from

near and far

"The new system provides us with full visibility of all product in stores, on the ward and dispensed to infants. In the event of a recall it is now possible for us, within a matter of minutes, to locate or account for each unit of the affected product."

Mona Baker CEO at CHI Temple Street

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Thank you to my team!

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