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HSCA Submits Comments to ANSI on Healthcare Supply Chain Data Standards to Help Improve Accuracy, Efficiency, and Patient Safety

Washington, DC (November 26, 2019) – The Healthcare Supply Chain Association ([HSCA](#)) Committee for Healthcare eStandards (CHeS) today submitted comments to the American National Standards Institute’s (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 supporting the Committee’s recommendation to include medical device identifiers in the healthcare electronic claim form.

The vast majority of healthcare insurance claims are communicated electronically, using electronic data interchange (EDI) standards that are promulgated and maintained by the ASC X12 Committee. The ANSI ASC X12 Committee is currently proposing a number of changes to the electronic healthcare claim form, including adding medical device identifiers to the form to enable providers and payers to exchange product information.

“Healthcare supply chain data standards play a critical role in helping to deliver important supply chain data to clinicians and patients,” said Curt Miller, Executive Director of CHeS. “Including medical device identifiers in the electronic claim form will help expedite and accelerate the adoption and implementation of healthcare supply chain data standards, leading to improved accuracy, efficiency, and patient safety.”

CHeS is a leader in the healthcare industry’s efforts to improve accuracy, efficiency, and patient safety through the application of electronic data standards in the healthcare supply chain. CHeS works to accelerate industry-wide deployment of the standards and associated processes throughout the healthcare supply chain and has endorsed GS1 US Healthcare Standards.

To read HSCA’s full comments to the ASC X12 Committee, click [here](#).

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About the Healthcare Supply Chain Association (HSCA)

The Healthcare Supply Chain Association ([HSCA](#)) represents the nation’s leading healthcare group purchasing organizations (GPOs), which are critical cost-savings partners to America’s hospitals, homes, nursing home pharmacies, clinics, home healthcare providers and surgery centers. GPOs deliver billions in savings annually to healthcare providers, Medicare and Medicaid, and taxpayers. HSCA and its member GPOs are committed to delivering the best products at the best value to healthcare providers,

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