

CareRx Quality Care Solutions

Medication Tracking



Maximizing your patient safety programs



Getting the right drug in the right dose to the right patient is a simplistic way of describing the solution to one of the most complex challenges that health systems face today: Namely, reducing the incidence of adverse drug events and the role they play in undermining the quality, safety and cost-effectiveness of healthcare.

Most health systems committed to achieving a 100% patient safety environment are looking at technologies such as barcode medication administration to help ensure accuracy of the medication being administered to the patient.

However, to make these programs effective in delivering promised improvements in patient safety, a hospital needs to have trackable medications and the means to monitor and manage them accurately throughout the entire pharmacy workflow — all the way to the point of bedside administration.

What if you could establish a simple, effective tracking process for ensuring the accuracy of the medication from the time it arrived on your premises to the time it got to a patient? What if you could partner with experts who can identify the pluses and minuses of your current barcode tracking approach and then recommend cost-effective solutions to fill the gaps?

What if, as a result, you could maximize the return on your barcode medication administration technology investment?

CareRx Solution:

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At AmerisourceBergen® we supply high-quality pharmaceutical products to thousands of health systems worldwide. But we know that unless there is a system in place to accurately identify and track these medications as they travel from the loading dock to the patient's bedside, there is no guarantee that the patient's safety won't be compromised by the medication received.

That's why we established the TrakRx™ suite of services for improved medication tracking. AmerisourceBergen's industry-leading medication management consultants will evaluate your health system's readiness or ability to maximize

the performance of a barcode medication administration system and help implement a recommended strategy.

Process and workflow re-design to maximize medication tracking

- Evaluate your current medication inventory management and distribution processes to assess their adaptability to barcode-enabled point-of-care administration
- Help ensure pharmacy and nursing workflow is optimized to support barcode medication administration processes and systems
- Improve documentation accuracy by tying inventory management to actual patient administration information versus dispensing data

Mapping and updating your formulary to increase barcoded medications

- Map existing formulary and determine gaps where product barcodes are missing
- Determine best strategy for closing gaps and getting as close as possible to 100% barcoded medications
- Review the applicable federal and state regulatory requirements regarding packaging and barcoding, and ensuring compliance
- Assess the economic impact of the formulary changes required to maximize the percentage of pre unit-dosed and barcoded medications entering your system

Applying and integrating appropriate technologies to assist medication tracking

AmerisourceBergen offers a complete line-up of automation technologies needed to help ensure the most efficient and effective medication management and delivery right up to the patient's bedside. This includes inventory management systems, unit-dose packaging and barcode labeling machines for the pharmacy, along with medication cabinetry and dispensing units for the various care areas.

Accessing the largest stock of unit-dose/barcoded medications in the world

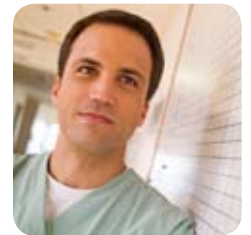


AmerisourceBergen has the most extensive formulary of barcode-enabled unit-dose medications in the industry — and it continues to grow on a regular basis. For most hospitals, in fact, we can provide more than 70% of their formulary in unit-dose and barcoded form. Having the industry's premier pharmaceutical distributor as your source for these medications ensures consistent high quality, a predictable supply, reliable delivery, simplified paperwork and competitive pricing.

The best medicine for healthcare

Our TrakRx suite of medication tracking services puts your healthcare enterprise on the right track to ensure the highest level of medication safety for all of your patients, all of the time.

At AmerisourceBergen, that's our business and our passion. We optimize the entire medication process — from order to bedside to community outreach — so that your patients and your organization realize the greatest benefit.



With world-class services and technologies that set us apart from other companies, AmerisourceBergen combines the infrastructure and procurement expertise of a global leader in pharmaceutical distribution with the consultative savvy and best practices that have helped thousands of hospitals reduce errors, increase efficiency, and save millions of dollars each year.

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