

# Supply Chain STRATEGIES & SOLUTIONS 2017 CONTENT PLAN

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JANUARY/FEBRUARY

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## Changing the Place of Healthcare

Consumerism in healthcare has been on the rise as the impact of healthcare reform translates to narrower networks, higher deductibles and copayments for patients, coupled with the shift towards value-based reimbursements for providers. Patients are seen as consumers, who desire high quality, convenient service. As a result, healthcare delivery is moving closer to the patient where care is more affordable than the traditional acute care environment. Locations include retail settings such as stores and clinics, as well as the home. With these changes, supply chain needs to work more closely with non-traditional partners as healthcare spans outside of the typical health system setting.

- Healthcare delivery outside of the acute care setting
- Non-traditional supply chain partners
- How consumerism and value-based healthcare is changing the role of supply chain

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## Bundled Payments in Healthcare

As healthcare moves away from fee-for-service toward value-based payment models, bundled payment models provide reimbursement that is designed to reward coordination among providers as well as quality and efficiency. In alignment with the AHRMM Cost, Quality, and Outcomes (CQO) Movement, supply chain is in a perfect position to support and collaborate with the various stakeholders represented across the continuum of care as hospitals assume more of the risk for care delivered after discharge and beyond the care that occurs in the acute care setting.

- CMS Bundled Payment for Care Improvement (BPCI) initiative
- Mandatory bundled payments
- Supply chain's role in bundled payment success

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## UDI: Making it Work for Healthcare

The majority of medical devices now bear unique device identifiers (UDIs) and hospitals must soon comply with regulations to capture and share UDIs for implantable devices in patient medical records. As the keeper of product data, supply chain plays an integral role in delivering the intended value of the FDA UDI rule. What are the challenges supply chains faces in meeting these new requirements and how can UDI improve supply chain efficiencies, patient safety, post-market surveillance, and medical device innovation and sourcing.

- Status of the UDI regulation and implementation
- UDI related requirements for providers
- How supply chain can help; how UDI helps supply chain

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## AHRMM17 Conference Issue

This issue will focus on supply chain's role in fostering the success of healthcare collaboratives. Healthcare supply chain brings a trifecta of knowledge and experience to drive collaborative learning across the healthcare eco-system and breakthrough thinking; the ability to work across disciplines and enterprises; a critical role in the sourcing and delivery of both products and services that drive value, and access to data to help focus and measure the success of collaborative efforts. How can your supply chain take a leadership position in the increasing trend toward collaboratives to improve cost, quality and outcomes?

- Collaborative examples highlighting supply chain's role and involvement

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## The Lean Healthcare Supply Chain

Lean and Six Sigma have been effectively used in manufacturing for decades, and increasingly in healthcare settings, to reduce variation and eliminate waste. Some of the most noted improvements have involved supplies, although not all CQI efforts have fully taken advantage of supply chain's expertise in process improvement and standardization. How can supply chain organizations take a more prominent role in these efforts, which have been proven to lower costs while improving quality.

- Case studies/examples of Lean
- Lean 101, a high level overview of Lean/Six Sigma

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## Data Analytics

Clinical data analytics are moving healthcare to more evidence-based practices. Visibility into the real world performance of medical devices and even purchased services will further progress in this area, but only if the right data is captured in an accurate, timely and accessible manner. Supply chain plays an increasingly important role in ensuring the capture of, and availability of meaningful data to actionably measure and improve clinical and financial performance.

- Data capture and analysis of supplies and purchased services
- Interoperability
- Evolving metrics
- Post-market analysis, outcomes-based procurement

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