Preventing Medication Errors With SafetyStock Pick Verification

Omnicell and RxScan have partnered to automate pick verification and other processes in the central pharmacy. SafetyStock® Pick Verification is an integrated solution that helps to reduce medication errors originating in the pharmacy. Electronic documentation of all pick transactions eliminates cumbersome manual quality assurance processes.

Enhanced Pharmacy Technician Processes

To ensure the accuracy of restock orders picked in the central pharmacy, pharmacy technicians are aided by SafetyStock Pick Verification. Audible and visual alerts immediately notify technicians if medications are picked in error.

Use the RxScan device to read the restock label.

Improved Process for ADC Replenishment

The SafetyStock Pick Verification system enables a batch picking process for automated dispensing cabinet (ADC) replenishment. Technicians are able to pick one medication for multiple cabinets, streamlining workflow by minimizing wasted footsteps.

More Efficient Pharmacist and Technician Verification

Batches of medication can be quickly verified by pharmacists, ensuring the right medication is being fulfilled for each restock order. It also supports a tech-check-tech model.

Audible and visual tones, as well as images of the scanned medication, support the verification process.

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Improve Accountability of Central Pharmacy Processes

Accuracy and Safety Assure Peace of Mind

Enables bar code verification for all medications leaving the pharmacy—not limited to SafetyStock restock items.

- Promotes safety for every medication dose leaving the pharmacy
- Supports compliance with the ASHP statement on bar code verification[1]
- Supports ISMP best practices for ADC use[2]

Thorough Reporting for Compliance and Analysis

Gain insights into central pharmacy processes with sophisticated reporting.

- Documentation of picking process performance of technicians and pharmacists
- Benchmarking and "near miss" documentation of technician pick accuracy
- Support for medication error investigations

Enhanced Safety and Compliance Options for Busy Pharmacies

- For picking and final check processes that require 100% of medications to be scanned, a "Par Reached" message will confirm that all medications were successfully scanned
- Failure to scan all doses will provide on-screen warnings to the end user and is visible on reporting
- Audible and visual expiration date checking for any item containing an RSS bar code ensures that expired medications do not reach the patient

To learn more about SafetyStock Pick Verification, please contact your Omnicell representative or visit www.Omnicell.com.

[1] American Society of Health-System Pharmacists. ASHP statement on barcode verification during inventory, preparation, and dispensing of medications. Am J Health-Syst Pharm. 2011; 68:442-445.
[2] Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) Guidance on the Interdisciplinary Safe Use of Automated Dispensing Cabinets. Horsham, PA: Institute for Safe Medication Practices; 2009.