



HEALTHSPACE

Automating Replenishment

“No Count” is Step Two

SMS’s “No Count” replenishment system is firstly based on a stock profile being established for 100% of items. This system works as described in this excerpt from a Canadian Case Study:

“Blouin *et al.* (2001) describe the No Count method as a system that divides supply quotas for items equally into 2 bins. Once the primary bin is empty, staff remove the bar coded label, attach it to a label board, and use supplies from the second bin. Labels on the board are scanned according to a schedule and information gathered is transferred to the information system,

which generates a list of items required.

As supplies are delivered, items left in the secondary bin are transferred to the primary and new items placed in the secondary, assuring rotation.

This simplifies the process of determining supply needs and significantly reduces Clinical staff involvement in supply management.

Compared to other replenishment systems, this method demands no inventory counting on the hospital ward itself. It also facilitates stock rotation management required to prevent

product expiry.

Because this practice is based on the replenishment of actual quantities consumed, it greatly improves inventory control.”

Healthspace—through implementing SMDS Supply Lite using the SMS Identification System—can make this an easy step for your facility to take. On the back of this sheet you can read about the results this process delivered in terms of the reduction of clinical staff time at Goulburn Valley Health.

The Case Study can be accessed on our website.

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Teamed with sTrak to Enhance Patient Safety

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**Space Saving Storage
Cost Saving Solutions**

Healthspace Pty Ltd are specialists in configuring space saving storage solutions for all manner of health service provider environments. We are the only such specialists working in Australasia.

Our modular storage system is sourced from Scan Modul in Denmark, the home of brilliant space-saving and modular design.

Our SMDS “No-Count” material management software provides the most cost-effective and simple solution to replenishing all point-of-use locations in your facility with ease and a minimum of work.

hTrak compliments the general data collection capability by enabling traceability of items to patient for safety and/or billing purposes as well as facilitating immediate replenishment by your suppliers.

We have the capability of providing every part of your solution—from a single trolley to project managing full storage solution implementations

Solution Outcomes @ Goulburn Valley Health, The Alfred

Healthspace, along with Scan Modul, Ithaca SCM and Pacific Commerce, recently completed a major solution implementation at Goulburn Valley Health.

Storage—including Scanmo racking and Scancell trolleys—was installed, along with the SMDS modules Supply, Inventory and Purchasing—including the “No-Count” replenishment system.

Consulting work was undertaken to optimise working capital as well as business process.

Finally—once stock profiling had been completed in full consultation with clinical staff—the order management process was fully automated. Information gathered using the “No-Count” system at point-of-use was translated into orders, aggregated and placed directly with suppliers.

Results from the implementation were as follows:

- Initial one-off savings of 35% in

stock-on-hand requirements at the bedside / in procedure;

- Year-on-year cost savings of 7-10% on all medical consumable & device expenditure;
- 50%+ reduction in storage floor space requirements;
- 90% reduction in the time clinical and medical staff devote to supply tasks – and automation of the entire re-order process from bedside to the supplier and back.

All this—from implementing just over half of the available Healthspace modules.

At The Alfred Hospital’s Radiology Department an hTrak implementation showed even more dramatic results—especially for patient safety.

hTrak provides for automated tracking of implants, expiry dates, batch & lot numbers for enhanced, simplified patient safety outcomes – together with real-time, accurate patient or procedure

costing. Results at The Alfred were:

- Recurrent 100% Return on Investment achieved consisting
 - process improvement;
 - working capital reduction;
 - Schedule Five rebate claims improved by over 40%.
- Dramatic enhancement to patient safety;
- Actual procedure costing data being used in CaseMix/DRG compilations.