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# GS1 Locatenet

*GLN Directory Service for Healthcare*



GS1 Locatenet is a central directory of GS1 standard, unique Global Location Numbers (GLNs). GLNs are unique 13-digit reference numbers used to identify legal physical and operational entities, such as a registered company, a warehouse or a particular room in a building. GLNs may be assigned to pricing locations, ship-from locations, ship-to destinations, eMessaging addresses and more.

GS1 Locatenet delivers the ability for trading partners to communicate location master data easily and effectively.

GS1 Locatenet was initially developed for the healthcare sector to support the National Product Catalogue, the 'single source' of item master data for healthcare service providers. The GS1 Locatenet service is available to all users of GLNs across all industries and facilitates the dissemination of quality location data from a central, validated, electronic source, supported and administered by GS1 Australia, a not-for profit standards and services organisation.



# What is a GLN?

The GLN is a unique 13-digit non-significant reference number used to identify any location against which data needs to be captured in electronic system such as;

- Legal entities such as registered companies
- Operational entities such as a specific department within a legal entity
- Physical entities such as a door of a warehouse or a particular room in a building

The use of GLNs provides companies with a method of identifying locations, within and outside their company that are:

- Unique worldwide
- Already recognised as best practice in many sectors
- Simple. An easily defined data structure with integrity checking that facilitates processing and transmission of data.
- Rules based and supported by guidelines, business examples and maintenance procedures.
- Multi-sectoral: the non-significant characteristic of the GLN allows any location to be identified for any company regardless of its activity anywhere in the world
- Essential for accuracy of purchase orders, deliveries, payments and electronic messaging.
- Able to be encoded in certain GS1 Symbols

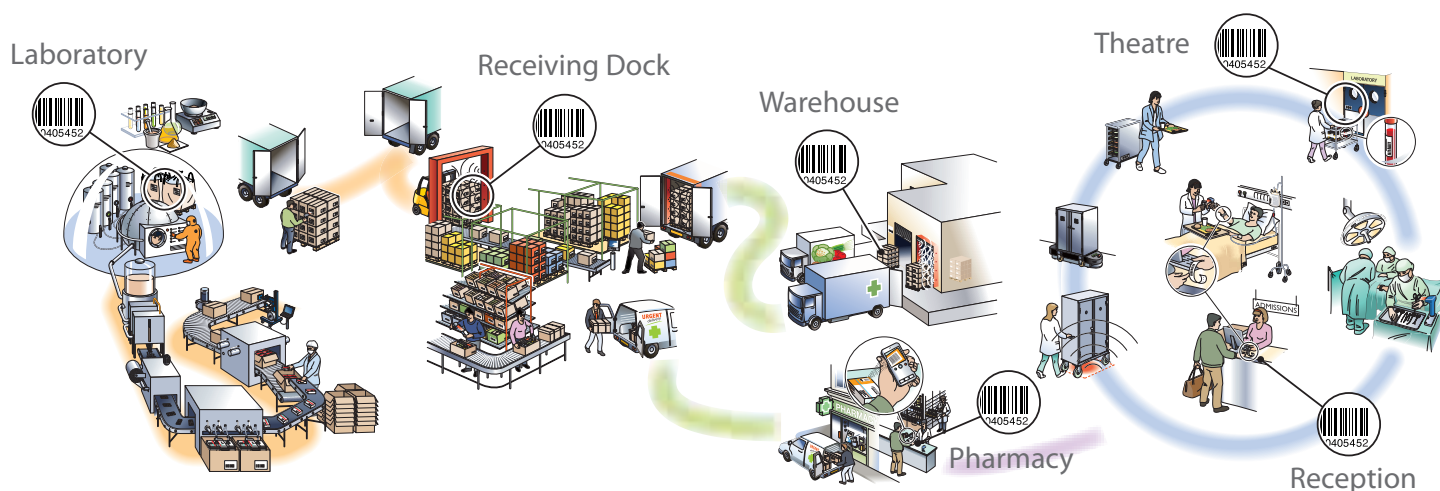


Diagram 1.1 Unique Location ID in the healthcare supply chain

## Benefits of GS1 Locatenet

For Healthcare suppliers, GS1 Locatenet supports the National Product Catalogue (NPC) by replacing the current manual processes used by healthcare providers to communicate NPC Price Locations to suppliers.

Some of the key benefits of GS1 Locatenet are:

- GS1 Locatenet provides a central source of location data using globally unique, standard GLNs as identification keys.
- Creation and maintenance of unlimited GLN records
- Validation of key GLN data and business rules to ensure accuracy and completeness of information
- Complete log/ audit trail of all new GLN records added and all changes made to existing records
- Ability to create multiple company users with various levels of access
- Automatic Alerts sent to you when a Trading Partner makes a change to their GLN records
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- Flexible and comprehensive search engine to search entire directory
- Download GLN records in a simple Excel Spreadsheet
- Help Desk support from GS1 Australia

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