Drive DSCSA Compliance with SureCost Software

SureCost DSCSA Compliance Package Overview

How Does DSCSA Impact Pharmacies?

The U.S. Congress passed the **Drug Supply Chain Security Act** (DSCSA), effective November 27, 2023, as a measure to protect customers against pharmaceuticals that are counterfeit, tainted or stolen. The movement of prescription medications through the supply chain must be tracked and traced electronically by pharmaceutical producers, repackagers, wholesale distributors and dispensers. For each drug product they buy, sell or exchange, pharmacies are required to maintain a transaction history, transaction information and a transaction statement. Pharmacies must verify product identifier information and determine the medication product's validity. Pharmacies need to have processes in place for obtaining and reviewing product tracing data to respond to package-level audits by the FDA or other authorities.

The Challenges Pharmacies Face with DSCSA

Pharmacies face a number of difficulties as a result of the new DSCSA regulations. The vast amount of data that pharmacies will need to handle and store is one of the major problems. For pharmacies to manage this data successfully, new software systems and processes must be developed. For each traceable medication they buy, sell or exchange, pharmacies are obligated to maintain a transaction history, transaction information and transaction statement. Significant resources will be needed to monitor and confirm the authenticity of drug items and to spot potentially stolen or counterfeit pharmaceuticals. Pharmacies must also make sure they have solid working ties with their wholesale distributors, who are in charge of giving out crucial product tracking data. Pharmacies need a reliable and efficient purchasing solution to effectively manage their inventory and comply with DSCSA regulations.
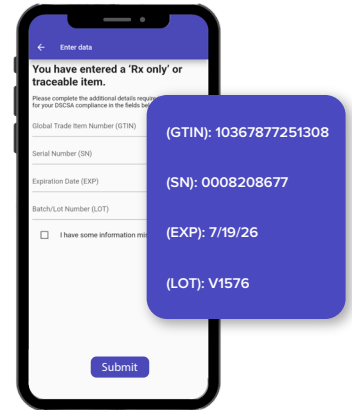
How SureCost Helps Pharmacies Comply with DSCSA

As the Smarter Purchasing Solution™, not only do we strive to improve purchasing transparency and increase pharmacies' profitability, but we also ensure that pharmacies are complying with their wholesaler and that vendors are complying with their agreements and purchase orders. When it comes to regulatory compliance, SureCost takes the burden out of having to integrate across systems, file standards and other requirements. The SureCost DSCSA Compliance Packs help pharmacies maintain and exceed DSCSA regulatory compliance without complicating their work. Through a single interface, receive EPCIS data, report on DSCSA data, store the data for six years, track key item identifiers with store to store transfers, capture and verify T2 data at receiving, quarantine items and ensure vendor accountability. We deliver consistency, accountability and convenience, along with a range of support services, to help pharmacists negotiate the complexity of the DSCSA and continue to provide high quality care to their patients.
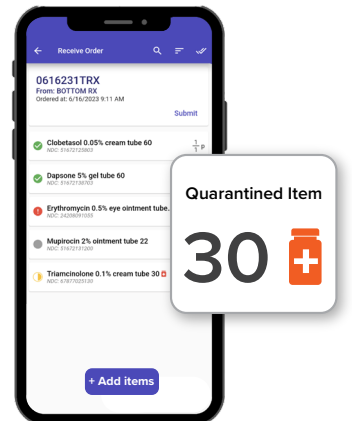
Consistency

Since all trading partners must adopt electronic data exchange for transaction information, verification and tracing of pharmaceutical items, Consistency is essential for complying with DSCSA standards. SureCost's DSCSA Compliance Packs empower pharmacies with consistency by instantly scanning and capturing DSCSA mandated data upon receiving and flagging discrepancies if it doesn't match with the trading partner's EPCIS shipping data. It also provides six-year electronic storage of DSCSA compliant transactions and receiving data for all vendors and is designed to accommodate DSCSA file requirements, including EPCIS data.

Accountability

The DSCSA Compliance Packs provide a single interface for all product data, making it easier for pharmacies to access and manage this information. This ensures that pharmacies have a centralized location to manage their data and a streamlined process for tracking their inventory. A comprehensive approach ensures Accountability at all stages of the supply chain and reduces the risk of non-compliance with DSCSA regulations. SureCost enables pharmacies to match what they physically received to their vendor provided EPCIS data right at receipt, well in advance of an audit. Additionally, the solution enables pharmacies to hold traceable items in quarantine when they are missing compliant EPCIS data. This comprehensive approach ensures accountability at all stages of the supply chain and reduces the risk of non-compliance with DSCSA regulations.

Convenience

A unified platform for regulatory compliance, purchasing, and inventory management offers the highest level of Convenience possible for pharmacies to manage their operations. With the mobile app scanning feature, pharmacies will easily capture the core receiving directly tied to the DSCSA data mandated in the vendor EPCIS files accurately, making it easy to maintain compliant inventory that's backed up by electronic records in the event of an audit. The transfer management feature takes this even further by ensuring that DSCSA data is further accounted for as inventory moves across all of your locations. By ensuring that physical product data matches electronic vendor data, pharmacies are also in a better position for any needed reconciliation efforts with trading partners. This enables the easy placing of non-compliant products on hold and response to audits. While there may be no specific regulatory requirement to track transfers, it's important to note that audits can happen unexpectedly. Without a reliable process in place to verify the compliance of transferred items, your pharmacy could face hefty fines and penalties.

The Traceable Receiving Pack	• EPCS v1.2 data retrieval for all compliant vendors • Rolling 6 year data retention of DSCSA barcode data (GTIN-14, lot number, expiration date, serial number) captured at receiving • Rolling 6 year data retention of received EDI-856 and EPCIS Ship events with master data • Reconcile DSCSA receiving data with Vendor EPCIS "T2" transaction data • Quarantine and track non-compliance traceable items for extra vendor accountability and audit protecction • Optional case scanning for traceable cases with alike items • Optional tote scanning for cases/totes with mixed items • Run and/or schedule email delivery for 9 different Traceable Receiving reports in pdf, xlsx or csv format • Free pharmacy implementation and support	$29/pharmacy/month + No mobile device charges or limits!
The Traceable Transfers Pack	• Scan and capture DSCSA barcode data on inventory transfers • Capture DSCSA data on all inbound and outbound transfers for all locations • Capture GTIN-14, lot numbers, expiration dates, and serial numbers on all inbound and outbound transfers • Flag non-matching traceable items during inbouind transfer receiving • Quarantine and track non-compliance traceable transferred items for extra vendor accountability and audit protection • Rolling 6 year data retention of all transfer data • Run or schedule email delivery for 11 different Traceable Transfer reports in pdf, xlsx or csv format • Free pharmacy implementation and support	$29/pharmacy/month* + No mobile device charges or limits! * Accompanying SureCost Transfer Module not included
The Traceable Receiving & Transfers Bundle	• Complete compliance assurance with a powerful combination of the Traceable Receiving and Traceable Transfers Pack • Cover all bases to minimize risk and maximize confidence • Streamlined audit preparation for all inventory • With regulatory requirements constantly evolving, stay ahead of the game and avoid any surprises • Focus on providing excellent patient care while the bundle takes care of the compliance complexities	**Save 15%** $~~58~~ $49/pharmacy/month + No mobile device charges or limits! * Accompanying SureCost Transfer Module not included

Book a DSCSA Compliance Packages demo today to see our DSCSA compliance features in action and select the features that your pharmacy needs to drive compliance.

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