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Trillium Health Selects TraceLink to Protect its Pharmaceutical Operations and Ensure Patient Safety

TraceLink Inc., the World's Largest Track and Trace Network for connecting the Life Sciences supply chain and eliminating counterfeit prescription drugs from the global marketplace, today announced that the Pharmacy at Trillium Health selected the TraceLink Life Sciences Cloud to comply with the U.S. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) regulations for pharmacies and ensure the delivery of safe medicines to patients.

Trillium Health, headquartered in Rochester, New York, was formed in 2010 as a result of the merger of AIDS Community Health Center and AIDS Rochester, to provide integrated, personalized primary and specialty medical care to people from diverse communities. Trillium Health extends services and programs into the community through education, support, and direct access to treatment with onsite pharmacies.

The World Health Organization estimates that between 1% and 10% of drugs sold around the world are counterfeit, with that number reaching as high as 50% in some countries. In 2013, DSCSA was signed into U.S. law to combat counterfeit drugs and ensure patient safety by enabling verification of pharmaceutical products, improving the detection of suspect ones, and facilitating product recalls.

By 2020, all hospital, retail and individual pharmacies must comply with DSCSA serialization regulations, only buying or selling prescription drug products with a unique product identifier on each package.

“As a provider of affordable, accessible and quality health care for our community, we fully support DSCSA and are committed to ensuring the delivery of safe medicine to our patients,” said Mark J. Malahosky, R.Ph., BPharm, Vice President of Pharmacy Services at Trillium Health. “In order to prepare for the upcoming serialization regulations for pharmacies, we chose TraceLink’s solution to enable us to cost-effectively comply with DSCSA and connect directly to our wholesale partners.”

“The DSCSA law introduces complexities for health systems and pharmacies right out of the gate and requires an increasingly digital state over time for hospitals and health networks. Trillium’s dedication to delivering comprehensive primary and specialty care, in parallel with TraceLink’s own mission of protecting patients and enabling quality health care, forms a shared vision that ensures compliance and patient safety,” said Shabbir Dahod, president and CEO, TraceLink. “We look forward to working with Trillium Health and assisting them with safeguarding their daily pharmacy operations, allowing their healthcare providers to continue their patient-centric mission.”

TraceLink’s Product Track solution provides end to end compliance with U.S. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) tracing and verification regulations for hospitals, pharmacies and health networks. To learn more about how TraceLink can protect pharmacy operations, easily help meet DSCSA requirements and enable a direct connection with thousands of suppliers on the Life Sciences Cloud network, visit <http://www.tracelink.com>.