THE RESOURCE GROUP

SUCCESS STORY

Managing complex data and systems to achieve compliance with new FDA requirements.

BACKGROUND

Drug Supply Chain Security Act

To protect patients from counterfeit pharmaceuticals, the Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) established an electronic system for package-level tracing of prescription drugs throughout the supply chain. The Food & Drug Administration required pharmaceutical dispensers, including 135 Ascension sites of care, to adopt this electronic tracing system by November 2025. Ascension Rx partnered with The Resource Group in 2023 for support to ensure compliance by the deadline.

SOLUTION

The Resource Group managed three critical areas:

1. **Vendor & Technical Setup:** Delivered timely communications to vendors and collected necessary information to establish medication serialization data feeds.
2. **Stakeholder Alignment:** Collaborated with pharmacy operational teams, legal counsel, and the distributor to ensure compliance, training, and adherence to the legislation.
3. **Data Management:** Established a managed Global Location Number program, assigning and rostering updated Global Location Numbers for the Ascension sites of care to enhance product traceability.

RESULTS

100%
DSCSA Readiness Achieved

135
Ascension Sites Transitioned

4,300
Global Location Numbers Created

1,000
Users Provisioned in DSCSA Platform

The collaboration between Ascension Rx and The Resource Group resulted in an effective implementation per the required timeline, shielding Ascension sites from financial and operational FDA non-compliance penalties.

> The Resource Group has been a key partner in ensuring Ascension Rx is fully compliant with DSCSA regulations by supporting GLN assignment, DSCSA vendor implementation and EPCIS data connections. Through their diligent support, The Resource Group alleviated the burden of complex vendor and manufacturer data so Ascension sites could continue our focus on patient care."

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