# Realities of UDI Capture: The Mercy/BUILD Experience

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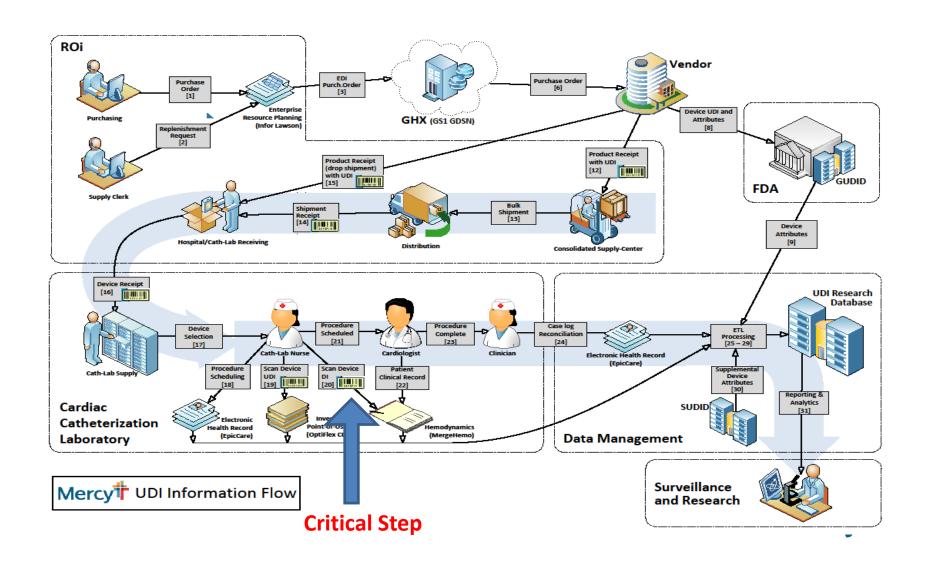
# The Mercy/BUILD UDI Strategy

- Integration of UDI into multiple systems
- Creation of data sets containing clinical & UDI-associated device information

 Linkage among 3 health systems (Geisinger, IHC, Mercy) & to national registries (Distributed Data Network)



#### **Mercy Demonstration UDI Data Flow**



#### Performance Solutions - What we did...



#### Changes to Cath Lab Process

 The UDI project required us to make changes to how the Cath Lab process works

 The changes we made improved many aspects of the workflow in the Cath Lab



## **Challenges and Opportunities**

Challenge	Detail	Solutions
Technology Integration	No bnterface between inventory management and hemodynamic software systems	Clinical staff "double scan" products. Ongoing discussions with software vendors
Capturing Information	Software limitations for capturing device data (UDI lineage and attributes)	Await solutions by vendors Capture data in the UDI Research Database
	Two barcode standards (GS1 & HIBC)	Link items in enterprise resource processing software to inventory management software with vendor item numbers
Inventory Management Application and Data Limitations	Software requirement for serial numbers but serial numbers not used by manufacturers on coronary stents	Mercy created "dummy barcodes and serial numbers" (Not sustainable)
	Conflicting facility numbering systems, i.e., FDA use of DUNS® numbers versus Mercy's GS1's Global Location Numbers (GLNs).	DUNS® to GLN cross-reference database
	Non-standardized device descriptions	Standard device descriptions created for coronary stents.
Implementation Effort	Greater than anticipated need for assistance by Cath Lab personnel	One Cath Lab team member dedicated to implementation



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Training Methods	Requirement for training of Cath Lab personnel on the new point of use	In person classroom sessions
	system.	eLearning modules to supplement classroom sessions
		eLearning modules for refreshing knowledge
Charging / Billing	Cath Lab personnel confusion over meaning of item uniqueness (function versus catalog number) and use of incorrect charge codes.	UDI and point of use system (UDIs are unique to the individual item.)
Product barcodes	No barcodes on some items	Barcodes generated internally for coronary stents and items with no codes
	<ul> <li>Confusion created by multiple barcodes on some items</li> </ul>	Cath lab personnel training on identification of correct barcodes
Inventory Value	Cath Lab personnel underestimation of inventory prior to point of use system implementation	Accurate and complete Cath Lab inventories with point of use system
Expired Inventory	Difficulty identifying expired items prior to point of use implementation	Automated expiration date tracking by point of use system allowing transfer to another facility or return to vendor.
Overall Complexity	Lack of familiarity of Cath Lab personnel with point of use information systems, e.g., business intelligence and third party software	Training of Cath Lab personnel by internal operational consultants on systems followed by continued coaching until personnel were proficient



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Perspectives of Mercy Cath Lab Directors	Cumbersome inventory and reorder processes prior to point of use system implementation occasionally resulting in last minute replenishment	Automated reorder process by point of use system
	Directors' lack of visibility to inventory by location and by vendor	Actionable operational and ad hoc reports produced by point of use system

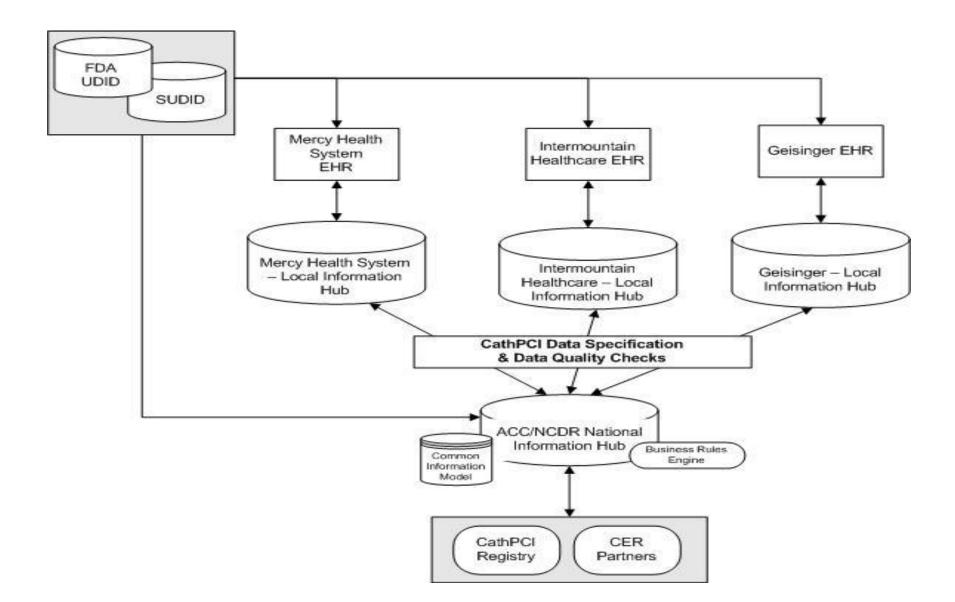


# The BUILD Initiative (Building UDI into Longitudinal Data for Surveillance)

- Extension of UDI Implementation Pilot
- Electrophysiology structured reporting providing UDI for Leads and devices using industry Standards to Electronic Health Records and CVIS systems (EPulse)
- Medical Device Data Capture and Exchange: Leading Practices and Future Directions



#### The BUILD Distributed Data Network



#### Thanks!

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