

InSite[®] In-Facility Packaging and Dispensing for Correctional Facilities



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Transforming Medication Management for Corrections

Pharmacy staff at Correctional Facilities face numerous challenges when managing, preparing and administering medications. Balancing the legal rights of inmates while adhering to regulatory requirements and mitigating the impact of rising drug costs is driving these facilities to seek alternatives to traditional medication management models.

The InSite System transforms the process of medication dispensing in correctional facilities from a tedious, error prone set of tasks to an efficient, automated workflow. This ensures adherence to strict regulatory requirements as well as the legal rights of inmates. The InSite "on-demand" dispensing model is well positioned to meet the unique challenges of transient inmate populations. «Previously it took 4 nurses, in this facility alone, 3 hours each to set up their medications and then to go pass their medications. Now, with the medication packager, we can deliver it for my entire facility in less than 30 minutes.»

— San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department



How On Demand Packaging Minimizes Medication Waste

Wasted medications cost correctional facilities hundreds of thousands of dollars every year. Due to the transient nature of incarceration, such as inmates being transferred to other facilities, paroled or released, many prescriptions go unused. With traditional 30-day blister cards, the inmate's remaining medications must be destroyed to ensure regulatory compliance.

Today, forward-thinking facilities are taking back control of their pharmacy inventory by packaging and dispensing medications on demand. The automated system tracks a patient's current location based on the latest data—even if they are off-site or at court. That means only the medications needed for a specific med call are dispensed.

Advantages

- Accuracy Eliminates unlabeled doses to minimize the risk of medication errors
- Efficiency Dramatically reduces the time to prepare for a med call by packaging up to 60 doses per minute in configurable, patient-specific pouches
- Responsiveness Provides real time location information through a direct interface to the inmate tracking system, so staff can easily suspend a patient's medication while they are off-site, in transit or at court
- Convenience Easily dispenses "keep on person" or "self-carry" medications to keep nursing and pharmacy focused on managing high value drugs and caring for inmates
- Security Restricts access to stored medications with password-protection and locking metal doors

InSite® In-Facility Medication Packaging and Dispensing System

The InSite System stores up to 240 different medication types in a single medication dispensing unit, providing automated, on-demand compliance packaging for oral solid medications prior to administration.

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² High-Speed Packaging

Packages up to 60 doses per minute with a broad variety of sorting options

Access & Efficiency

The average InSite canister holds about 300 doses and can be filled and processed in roughly the same time it takes to create a single 30-day blister pack

Safety

Supports an Automatic Canister Recognition System (ACRS) for added convenience and packaging accuracy

Inventory Management

Allows automatic inventory monitoring as well as lot and expiration tracking

Training Videos

Concise "how to" videos help staff use the machine independently



How It Works



With InSite, medication orders are transmitted to the pharmacist for clinical review. After approval, the medications are immediately available at the correctional facility and dispensed from the InSite System with multi-dose, patient-specific packaging.

- Before delivery, each canister is filled, security-sealed, verified and signed by the pharmacist.
- Medications are dispensed only as needed and for a specific patient.
- Changes in prescribed medications or inmate location will no longer produce unused blister packs that need to be destroyed or returned.
- InSite provides inventory and dispensing information for downto-the-dose accountability at each facility.

«The InSite System is deployed to over 75,000 patients in correctional facilities across the country, packaging millions of doses annually.»



Partnering with Swisslog Healthcare

At Swisslog Healthcare, we lead change for better care, transforming medication management for correctional facilities and pharmacies. We combine pharmacy automation solutions with accessible software to enhance performance and workflow efficiency, improve accuracy and enable better patient care.

Since 2009, Swisslog Healthcare has been a market leader in correctional pharmacy automation technology solutions. On-demand medication access helps correctional facilities improve inmate care and nurse satisfaction through efficiency gains, while offsetting the financial burden of rising drug costs and reducing medication waste.

Swisslog Healthcare is committed to improving the traditional model of corrections care medication management. We understand that safety, accuracy and availability of medication is key to minimizing liability and ensuring population health management.

As a result, healthcare professionals can deliver enhanced care and improve patient experiences.

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