



# Hospital Wristband and Label Sourcing Simplified

## Challenge

An 800-bed hospital system sought to minimize the risk of patient identification (PID) errors by standardizing wristbands and labels throughout the organization. At the same time, they wanted to rein in spending and streamline sourcing by reducing the number of suppliers used for wristbands and labels.

## Solution

Taylor Healthcare provided an end-to-end program that standardized patient identification across the hospital's enterprise.

- We began with an in-depth assessment that identified opportunities to consolidate wristband and label SKUs and the number of suppliers used to procure those materials.
- The hospital's staff was trained on a single, streamlined sourcing process that utilized Taylor Healthcare's online ordering platform.
- An automated procurement system was established that maximized cost savings while improving operational efficiencies and eliminating compliance issues.

## Results

Taylor Healthcare's comprehensive approach to wristband and label sourcing delivered measurable bottom-line results for the hospital system.



### SKU ALIGNMENT

The number of wristband and label SKUs in use declined by 30% and the number of suppliers fell from 50 to just 15.



### PROCESS EFFICIENCY

The hospital estimated that the time and resources devoted to wristband and label sourcing fell by more than 50%.



### COST SAVINGS

Within the first two years, the hospital saved more than \$33,000 on wristband and label orders alone.