



Our mission is to dramatically improve the healthcare supply chain process, helping to ensure that clinicians have the right supplies at the right time.



How It Works

BlueBin is based on the philosophy and tools of the Toyota Production System, utilizing a “kanban” approach, which in lean manufacturing is a signal or trigger for supply replenishment.

1. Supplies are stocked in two bins, one in front of the other, on shelves at a clinical supply area known as an inventory node. Staff members pull supplies from the front bin.
2. When a staff member empties the front bin, he/she moves it to a holding area on top of the rack and pulls the back bin forward for their colleagues to access easily.
3. Empty bins are routinely scanned down in the very important stage area, sending a fill order directly to the distributor, and the bins are refilled with ready-to-use supplies and returned to the inventory node, usually within 24 hours.
4. Bin and par velocity is tracked with predictive analytics, allowing for intelligent bin management and providing actionable data on a daily basis.

Kanban SOLUTION

The BlueBin Kanban Solution is a visual replenishment system that helps ensure supplies are delivered to the right place, in the right quantity, at the right time. This process provides immediate, tangible and measurable advances in lean growth, removing ambiguities and overcompensation of supply systems.

Intelligence & ANALYTICS

BlueBin's supply chain dashboard strategically fuses performance metrics with the critical information you need to make impactful decisions. There are no risky interfaces or excessive requirements for IT hardware or resources. Our modular suite allows you to select the elements that complement your operation.

Consulting & EDUCATION

BlueBin offers cutting-edge onsite training services to help hospitals' Continuous Improvement (CI) and Supply Chain Management (SCM) leadership take control of their processes and create standards of excellence. We will “BlueBelt” certify your team(s) and can host workshops to assist in building a custom Kanban solution.

Hardware BINS & RACKS

As you can imagine, the BlueBin solution provides a very high volume of racks and bins to its partner hospitals. More often than not, we can aggressively beat your current prices and are happy to save you time and money by managing the process of ordering your racks and bins for you.



“BlueBin helps our clinicians stay focused on what matters, versus having to know how the supply chain works. They simply have what they need, without failure.”

Patricia C. Hoch, Senior Director of Supply Chain
The Ohio State University-Wexner Medical Center

YOUR BLUEBIN TEAM WILL

- Analyze your current operations and needs
- Plan and design a solution tailored to you
- Install software with robust analytics for data-driven decision making
- Prepare physical locations
- BlueBelt certify your staff to use, manage and sustain your solution
- Deploy your solution, and offer ongoing support

BLUEBIN FEATURES

- Best in class supply chain and productivity management metrics
- Perpetual inventory management tools and performance metrics
- Route control and other time management tools/reports/metrics
- User-friendly reports allow multiple drill-downs with clean export functionality
- Scan barcodes - create orders for Kanban systems, and/or most ERP par carts, with a pull of a trigger
- Warehouse issues & item locator tools



....and much more!

Improvement and Savings with BlueBin



Out with the Old, in with the Blue.

Right Supplies,
Right Time.

Average 500-Bed Hospital

SUPPLY MEASUREMENT	TRADITIONAL MATERIALS MANAGEMENT OPERATION	BLUEBIN TECHNOLOGY OPERATION
Clinical hours spent in supply-chain operations	32,000 hours/year	Zero
Supply-chain staff	15 FTEs	Reduced 30-50% (4-7)
Obsolete-supply findings by regulatory agencies	12 findings/audit	Zero
Supply-order fill rate	84% (national average)	99.5%
Central warehouse	6,000 sq. ft. of dedicated space	Reduced 75%
Excess supplies stashed throughout hospital in cabinets, closets, etc.	\$2,500,000	\$0
Stat supply calls (rush deliveries from warehouse)	14,000/year (~2,000 hours spent waiting for supplies)	Zero
Annual medical-supplies expense	\$30,000,000 (excluding pharmacy)	Reduced 5% (\$1,500,000)
Space needed to store supplies in clinical work areas	Variable	Reduced 25%



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