Case Study

Industry: Healthcare

Cayuga Health System unites two longstanding, independent hospitals, Cayuga Medical Center in Ithaca and Schuyler Hospital in Montour Falls, New York. These two hospitals joined together to form a cohesive health-care network to provide seamless and comprehensive community-centered care for the residents across the Finger Lakes region and central New York.

Challenge: This busy healthcare system needed assistance to quickly create an up-to-date and accurate safety data sheet (SDS) document collection to comply with OSHA's HazCom requirements. In order to meet their goal of

easy access to SDSs for all their employees and to ensure those employees were trained on SDS best practices, they first had to account for all the hazardous materials being used at their facilities. Their search through the many options of SDS management software available on the market led them to SafeTec.

Solution: SafeTec's SDS solution experts began with an onsite inventory conducted by our OSI technicians using the proprietary SMIS (Safetec Mobile Inventory System) application. This comprehensive cataloging of the chemicals and hazardous materials found throughout Cayuga Health System allowed administrators and EH&S personnel to better understand Cayuga's chemical footprint. After the inventory work, they had a much clearer idea of which SDS were missing or in need of updating.

Once SafeTec's SDS management system was in place, employees were trained on the best practices for ensuring these required documents were technically accurate, current and easily available to all system employees.

Benefits: By relying on SafeTec's SDS management system and its integrated SMIS application, Cayuga EH&S administrators enjoyed significant gains in cost and chemical management efficiencies. Their up-to-date and accurate SDS document collection helps them meet their **44** What really excited me about SafeTec was their integrated SMIS application that the onsite inventory technicians used to build our SDS management system paired with the knowledge of their employees. This greatly sped up our implementation saving both time and money. **9**

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GHS compliance requirements and other OSHA-related goals. Cayuga administrators know they can rely on their SafeTec support team of account managers, project managers and other support staff to ensure the healthcare system has chemical management accountability that's transparent, easily reportable and accessible to all who need it.

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