

5 BEST PRACTICES FOR MEDICAL INDUSTRIES

Pharmaceutical and medical distribution centers often require controlled environments, but they can be challenged with highly congested areas. Follow these five best practices to increase process flows and improve your bottom line in the medical and pharmaceutical industry.



VISUALIZE AND OPTIMIZE FOR EFFICIENCY.

In warehousing facilities, even small enhancements in productivity and efficiency can have a big impact on an operation's bottom line. Through Raymond Lean Management, visualization can help identify areas of congestion and help managers take action to adjust travel paths, facility layout and slotting for optimum throughput. Optimizing your associates, processes and facility can allow for better utilization of equipment and decrease inefficiencies while improving process flows.



PICK PROPERLY WITH OPERATOR ASSIST TECHNOLOGIES.

Being able to precisely and accurately pick product off the shelf and transport it through your facility can greatly increase warehouse productivity and output. Operator assist technologies help operations use equipment efficiently and improve process flows. Raymond's Pick2Pallet™ LED light system is patented to visually indicate the proper product placement and reduce pick errors, while Zoning and Positioning (ZaP) solutions ensure more reliable, repeatable truck operation by automatically controlling truck functions.



GAIN VISIBILITY THROUGH TELEMATICS.

Telematics solutions, such as Raymond's iWAREHOUSE® fleet management and warehouse optimization system, provide an opportunity to improve visibility into your operations while gathering actionable data to make lasting changes. Telematics systems allow you to collect data on the way material handling equipment is being utilized, enables operations to track total cost of ownership and helps operations to make strategic decisions from right-sizing and right-typing your fleet to optimizing your labor force and facility layout.



SECURE CRITICAL PRODUCTS AND PEOPLE WITH TECHNOLOGY.

Help secure operations, people and critical products with technology such as telematics monitoring systems. The iWAREHOUSE RTLS system enhances security by monitoring the movements of lift trucks, personnel and assets in an operation. The RTLS system reduces security concerns by limiting access to only authorized forklift operators and enables tracing of operator locations and activities. This tracing ability can be utilized to help operations enforce security protocols, like social distancing. Additionally, by providing visibility into areas of congestion and allowing operations to geofence certain areas, RTLS develops more efficient routes through a facility and reduces impacts by identifying problem areas, ultimately improving productivity.



INVEST IN SEMI- AND FULLY AUTOMATED SOLUTIONS.

Raymond's Automated Guided Vehicles (AGVs) offer an easy-to-implement vision-guided solution for today's e-commerce demands and labor challenges. By efficiently and reliably performing a variety of repetitive transportation and pallet handling tasks, a Raymond Courier™ stacker reallocates labor to more value-added tasks with greater flexibility and standardization. The trucks in the portfolio are equipped with Seegrid's unparalleled vision technology for automated guidance, and Supervisor Software for real-time truck monitoring and status updates, allowing operations to move inventory accurately and efficiently for a lower total cost of ownership.

To learn more about what Raymond is doing to ensure warehouse, distribution and supply chain operations stay efficient and productive, visit www.raymondcorp.com.

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