



Cold Chain Traceability

Bringing transparency to Cold Supply Chain

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25% of vaccines go waste due to lack of cold chain

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HIGHLIGHTS

- 25% vaccines are wasted due to poor storage facilities
- Most vaccines have to be preserved in a low temperature
- Health ministry has planned over 27,000 cold storage points for storing and distributing vaccines



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Toward Breaking the Cold Chain

Research efforts aim to obviate the need for vaccine refrigeration.

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Earlier this month, the New Jersey Department of Health announced that **900 children** statewide received vaccines that may not have been stored properly. Pediatrician Michael Bleiman allegedly hadn't refrigerated the shots at the right temperatures, compromising the efficacy of the immunizations and potentially putting kids' health at risk—not to mention causing headaches for hundreds of families and physicians who now have to determine whether these children need to be revaccinated.



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Over half of vaccines are wasted globally for these simple reasons

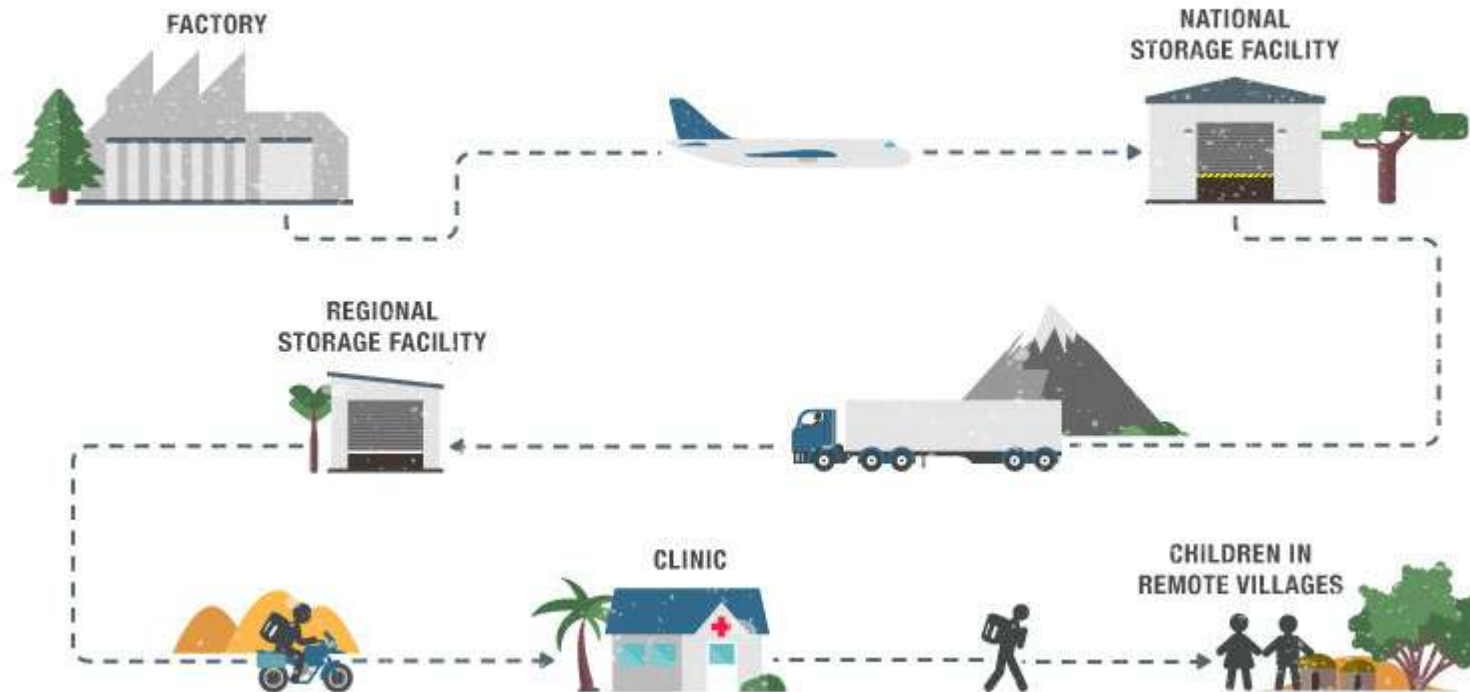


Vaccine Supply Chain (ColdChain)



The long road to vaccination

Vaccines must be kept between 2-8°C all the way from the factory to some of the most remote places on earth.



Source: MSF





Why IOTA?

- The technology behind IOTA is the only technology that can **scale** and support the millions of transactions using Sensors and DLT.
- It is **feeless** and can support **partitioning** – meaning that local transactions of recording the temperature and location can be secured in periods **without direct access to internet** such as remote areas during transport.
- Tracking with Geo Location and condition of Vaccine maintained like temperature **monitoring real time with events triggered** in case of Breach of Vaccine Temperature range.
- Provide **trustworthy Information** regarding the storage and handling of the Vaccine from manufacturer till it reaches the Patient thereby build trust .
- Recorded Data and events can be pulled to track the vaccine information by scanning QR Code giving **transparency** to Vaccine Coldchain.

Vaccines Coldchain on Blockchain



The problem being addressed

- CDC says - It is better to not vaccinate than to administer a dose of vaccine that has been mishandled. Vaccines must be stored properly from the time they are manufactured until they are administered. Storage and handling errors problem:
- decrease potency and reduce effectiveness and protection
- cost thousands of dollars in wasted vaccine and revaccination
- loss of patient confidence

Stake Holders Involved

- Patients
- Vaccine Manufacturers
- Distributors
- Hospitals
- Public Health Staff

Proposed Solution

- Enable a solution shared between all the stake holders, by using the following features in the solution:
- Temperature and Location/GPS sensors are equipped with each pallet (batch of vaccines) that needs to be tracked
- A temperature threshold is set (typically between 2 degrees to 6 degrees)
- When there is a deviation the breach is written to a distributed ledger, in case of sporadic network coverage the data is stored offline on the device that is sending this information
- The data from these sensors are continuously transmitted to a Cloud based solution to optimize storage and pull analytics

Applicable Industries

- Pharmaceutical

Benefits

- Various stake holders are brought onto same platform by using a solution that is made generally available
- Patients can have increased trust in the cold supply chain and can rest assured that they don't get mishandled vaccines
- Any data about health cannot be risked hence storing and connecting this infrastructure makes a lot of business sense

Competitors

- CDC

Business Model Canvas



Key Partners ? Insert

Healthcare providing organisations (Hospitals)

Private Doctors

Patients

Medical staff (Lab specialists, technicians) etc

Key Activities ? Insert

Develop the Blockchain layer and Architecture

Develop Application

Onboarding Hospitals and Insurance Providers for Network effects

Key Resources ? Insert

Network effects of large number of organisations on the chain

Our Team's capabilities

Value Proposition ? Insert

Digitised, immutable storage of medical records

Access to patients medical records from other organisations

Provide Immutable Data for Insurance Claims

Ability to provide better quality and quicker care

Customer Relationships ? Insert

IT and Blockchain Service

Channels ? Insert

Website

Apps

Partnerships

Customer Segments ? Insert

Hospitals, Clinics, Private Doctors

Research Centers

Insurance Companies

Cost Structure ? Insert

Initial Investment and Subscription Costs

Revenue Streams ? Insert

Usage Fees

Maintenance & Service Contracts

Vaccine ColdChain - Process Flow

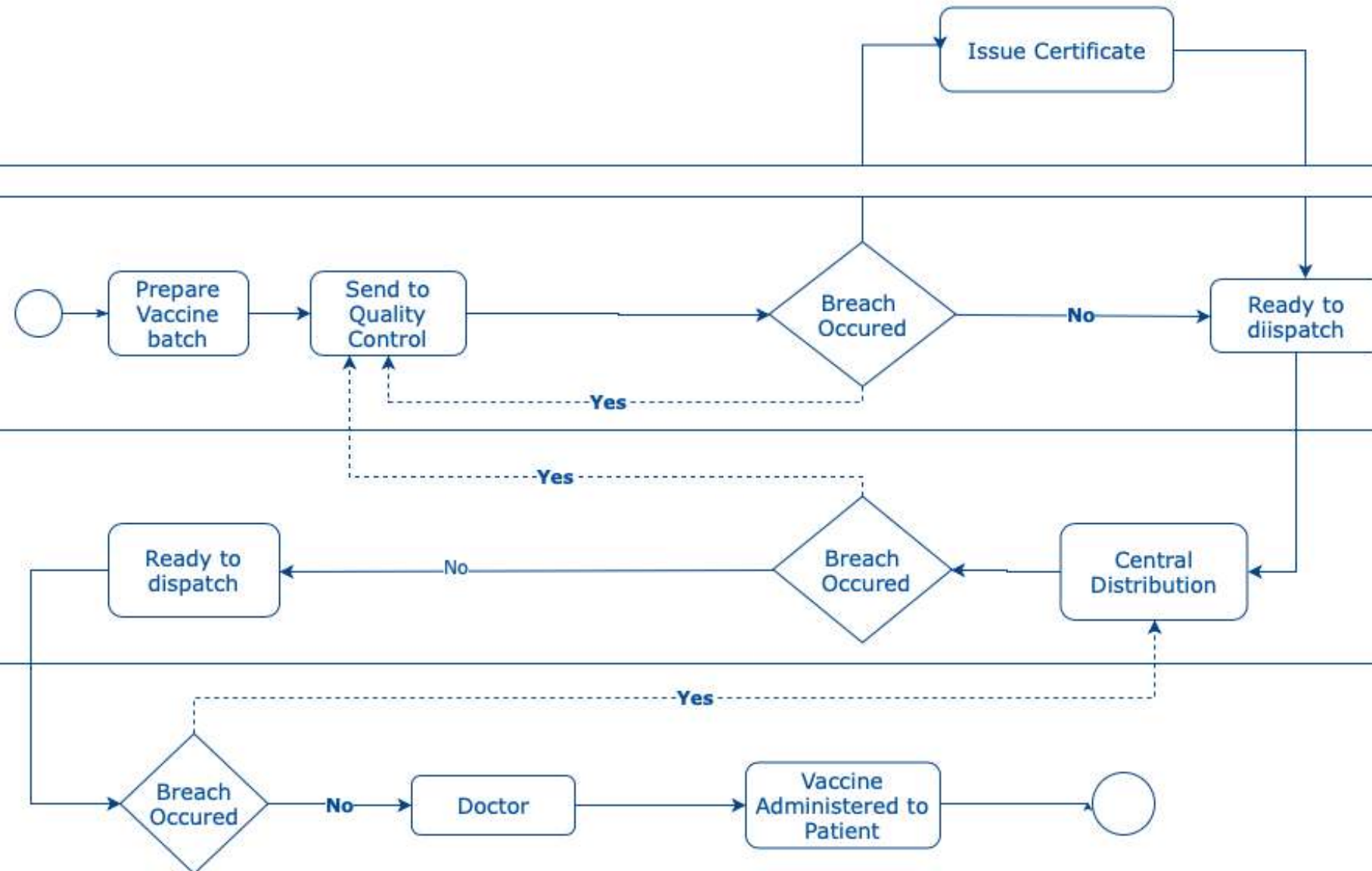


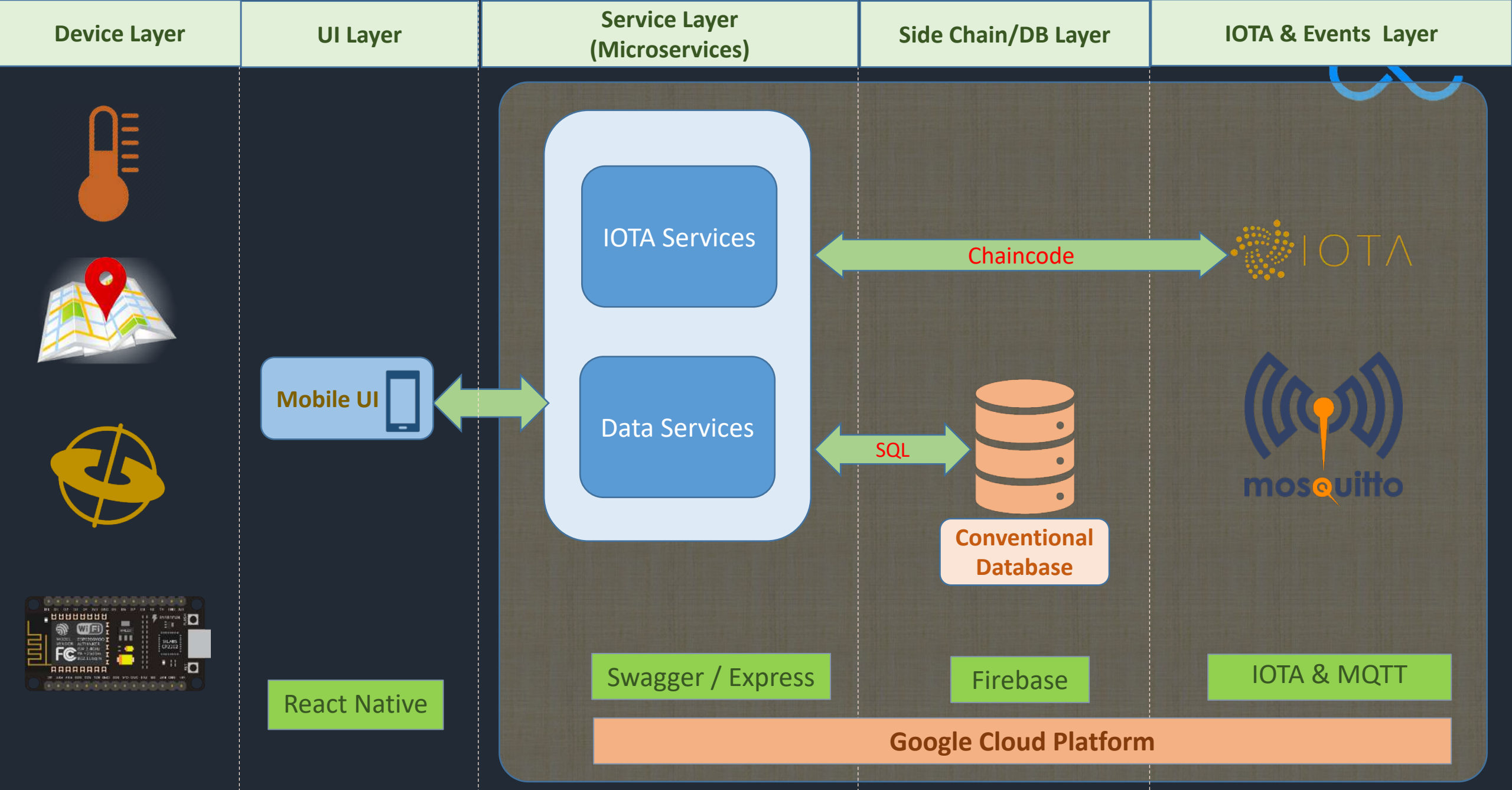
Drug Control Authority

Vaccine manufacturer

Distributor

Hospitals





coldChain - Layered Architecture

A hand-drawn word cloud on a whiteboard. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with 'WHY?' being the largest and most central word. Other prominent words include 'HOW?', 'WHAT?', 'WHERE?', 'WHICH?', 'WHO?', 'WHEN?', and 'WHICH?'. A hand is visible on the right side, holding a black marker and pointing towards the word 'HOW?'.





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