9 Essential Tips to Improve HME Inventory Management

Reduce waste, free up cash, and simplify operations. Read the full insight [here](#).

1. Use Modern Technology (RFID + Barcoding)
- Implement barcode scanning for counts, deliveries, and pickups
- Label all equipment + warehouse locations
- Use RFID tags for high-value assets
- Install RFID readers to detect movement automatically

2. Simplify Item Identification
- Use the manufacturer's item number as the universal identifier
- Remove duplicate or confusing labels

3. Adopt Mobile Delivery Workflows
- Capture serial numbers at point of delivery
- Replace paper tickets with real-time digital documentation

4. Reclassify Low-Value Items
- Avoid marking low-value items as "non-serialized"
- Use Basic/billing-only classifications to reduce workflow burden

5. Use PAR Levels for Reordering
- Set PAR by usage patterns and historical demand
- Replace "gut-feel" ordering with a predictable, data-driven method

6. Supplement Gaps in Your Billing System
- Use an external inventory platform if your ERP lacks tracking, scanning, or reconciliation capabilities
- Choose one that integrates directly with your ERP

7. Perform an Annual Inventory True-Up
- Correct serial numbers
- Validate case counts
- Identify shrink and reset your baseline for the year

8. Solve the Biggest Problems First
- Start small and target high-friction workflows
- Build momentum with manageable improvements

9. Align Workflows With Real-World Staff Behavior
- Keep processes simple and intuitive
- Remove friction to reduce workarounds and improve consistency

How HME360 Helps
HME360 was built specifically for HME providers facing the inventory challenges outlined above. The platform gives you real-time visibility into every product across every location and status, supports barcode-driven workflows, reduces shrink, prevents unnecessary reorders, and eliminates the burden of manual counts. With seamless integration into your billing system, HME360 improves accuracy, frees up tied-up capital, and gives your team back valuable time. HME360 transforms inventory from an operational burden into a strategic advantage, helping your organization operate with more clarity, more confidence, and more control so your team can focus on what matters most: serving patients.

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