Model N Channel Data Management is a cloud based solution that enables companies to have an unparalleled level of data granularity, quality and consistency.
Impact on Your Bottom Line

With 75% of global sales coming through indirect sales channels, channel data is the essential business insight into determining revenue growth, rebate payments, inventory control as well as analyzing the effectiveness of promotions and marketing programs. However, it’s no secret that channel partners communicate low-quality “point-of-sale” POS data, in many different formats, typically incomplete, and in many cases erroneous.

To meet the challenges of growing top line revenue, maintaining strong partner relationships and ensuring partners and sales are compensated quickly, there’s a need to provide speed, accuracy, quality and the granularity of data answering these challenges. Model N is there to meet the challenge of solving overpayments in sales commissions and rebates, together with lost sales opportunities due to incomplete POS information and unmotivated sales and channel partners.

Model N Channel Data Management (CDM) Solution

Model N Channel Data Management (CDM) is a fully automated data management solution and it collects POS, Inventory and Claims data in multiple formats from global channel partners. It automatically organizes, cleanses, validates and standardizes this data with almost no human intervention. Quickly returning data to you hourly, daily or when your organization needs it to support sales reporting, rebate processing and discount programs. CDM also feeds data seamlessly to Salesforce®, Model N’s Revenue Cloud solutions and Intelligence Cloud, reporting and any other downstream systems.
The Model N CDM solution allows you to reap the benefits of accurate, granular and actionable channel data. The CDM solution is an easy to implement and scalable option. As a cloud, multi-tenant solution it protects your investment by avoiding upfront hardware and license costs, and reduces the demand on already stretched internal resources. Deployment is fast and the cost benefits are quickly realized by an overall reduction in your channel data management costs. Designed by employing best practices for channel data management, the Model N CDM solution offers financial-grade data quality and out-of-the-box business intelligence for analysis of trends and understanding process improvements.

Model N CDM collects, standardizes, validates, and enriches POS, Inventory, Sales-In-Sales-Out (SISO), including Indirect Sales and Claims data, so you can:

- Maximize channel revenue by increasing your channel sales by up to 10%
- Decrease internal operational costs by 70%
- Eliminate 7-figure overpayments for credit claims, rebates, and sales compensation
- Accelerate decision making with accurate market data
- Optimize product promotions by aligning investment and market share data
- Closely track actual sales against opportunities, quotes, and contracts increase the number of reporting partners

The Model N Channel Data Management solution consists of the Model N Operations Manager, the Model N Partner Network, and the Model N CDM Directory. Additionally, Model N CDM includes a variety of features and functionality that help you manage and grow your channel including: Inventory Manager, Discount Manager, and CDM for Salesforce™.
Single Source for Accurate Channel Intelligence

Once data is collected from your channel partners in Model N CDM, it is validated, enriched, and consolidated, dramatically increasing its usefulness. Customers referenced in data feeds are matched against the tens of millions of entities in the CDM Directory. POS, inventory, and other channel data is now ready to be fed to your downstream systems without any manual rework.

POS data is also seamlessly integrated into Salesforce, where it’s mapped to your existing opportunities and accounts using CDM for Salesforce so you can track actual wins and make informed decisions around opportunity and account management.

CDM offers powerful analytics through CDM Channel Intelligence to track operational and business measures. Model N onboards your channel partners using efficient, industry-leading processes that increase both number and quality of your partners, while lowering partner operational costs. CDM gives the Sales, Marketing, and Finance teams access to near real-time channel POS data for forecasting, market visibility, and accurate incentive and rebate payments.

The seamless integration of CDM with Model N Revenue Cloud enables companies to track POS against quotes and contracts, hence tracking usage and compliance. Integration with Model N Rebate Management enables automated calculation of rebates and incentives, thus reducing overpayments, providing the ability to track against actual transactions, and encouraging partners to sell more by allowing them to reach higher rebate limits.

“MODEL N BRINGS A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO THE COMMISSION PROCESS. IN THE PAST EVERYTHING WAS CALCULATED MANUALLY. WE WOULD TRANSFER THE DATA TO OUR CONTROLLER, BUT THE CONTROLLER HAD NO TOOL TO CHECK THE DATA. TODAY EVERY TRANSACTION IS ACCURATE AND IT’S EASY FOR THE CONTROLLER TO DO AN AUDIT.”

—Heribert Hochrinner
Global Channel Partner Manager for ams AG
CDM Best Practice Requirements

**MODEL N PARTNER NETWORK**
Our network of 10,000+ Distributors, Resellers, VAR’s, VAD’s, OEM’s, ODM’s Retailers etc. gives you 100% matching when partners report detailed channel POS, APOS, Inventory and SISO data.

**Model N CDM Directory**
This directory provides detailed information, including vertical market segmentation, on tens of millions of end customers – giving you a 100% match to the best possible name and address information. The Model N Directory learns from all customers and all transactions, and is constantly growing and improving.

**CDM Operations Manager**
Validate, track, organize, score and segment channel POS, SISO, and inventory data by partner, geographies, SKUs and account – including specified attributes like sales territories and partner levels such as gold, silver and bronze. With CDM Operations Manager, you can ensure:

- Products are aligned with the manufacturer master data
- Customers are matched against the entities in the CDM Directory
- Transaction data can be enhanced with partner-specific pricing in any currency, with validated serial numbers
- Channel sales information can be enriched with vertical market segmentation and customer specific attributes
- Data, such as POS and Inventory data, is ready to be consumed by downstream applications without manual rework, and fed into Salesforce and CDM dashboards

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CDM Inventory Manager
Optimize channel inventory and ensure the right product is in the right place, at the right time, through calculation of part-level inventory and reconciliation of inventory discrepancies. CDM Inventory Manager calculates your inventory levels at a part-level, giving you near real-time visibility into your inventory position by product, by partner, and by region. Calculated inventory can give you a truer picture of inventory levels beyond what is reported by your partners. CDM Inventory Manager identifies the variances between calculated, reported and target inventory levels, and our workbench gives you the ability to adjust those variances in near real time. In addition, with CDM Inventory Manager you can:

- Automatically account for in-transit product
- Search, sort, and reconcile inventory variances
- Drill down into transaction detail to research and understand the cause of variances

CDM Discount Manager
Eliminate over-discounting through the real-time analysis of partner discount trends, identification of which special discounts are actually driving sales, and by paying commissions on “net price”. In addition to maximizing your Return on Discounts, you can increase your process efficiency by reducing labor-intensive manual discount claims processing and reconciliation.

- Automate tracking of sales results against special price quotes
- CGain information on discount performance, sales, and trends to improve channel performance with discount programs
- Customize programs based on partner tier, business model, and product line
- Maximize profits by paying commissions and discounts only on net price
- Improve partner loyalty by shortening the time to payout on discounts

Model N Discount Manager dashboards help pinpoint which products, partners or programs are not delivering the desired sales results. With its drill-down reporting you can track the effectiveness of special pricing trends by product, partner and region, even down to the transaction level. The workbench gives you the ability to automate the reconciliation of POS transactions to your special price quotes and make real-time adjustments as necessary.

CDM Credit Assignment
Accurately pay on performance-based sales commission quota plans that drive channel sales growth year-over-year.

- Pay Channel Account Managers & Manufacturer Reps faster and more accurately
- Show real-time sales performance against quota and percent obtainment
- Automatically calculate sales commissions by complex splits between reps, cross territories and n-tiers of reporting
- partners based on performance, all with 100% accuracy

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CDM for Salesforce®

CDM for Salesforce is a native application that allows you to manage channel sales as productively as direct sales by allowing you to drill down into partner activity by region, products, partners and end customers. Gain near real-time visibility to all your reporting partners’ performance using the same Salesforce UI, dashboards and functionality you are already familiar with. Additionally, with CDM for Salesforce, you can:

- Track unmatched products and transactions that need immediate attention, thereby increasing sales efficiency
- Discover new and unlinked accounts and remove duplicate entries in Salesforce using CDM tools
- Close the deal registration loop by automatically correlating actual POS shipments with deal registrations made by your distributors and resellers
- Identify and promote new customers and resellers to managed Salesforce accounts and grow your channel sales

CDM Intelligence Cloud

Model N CDM Intelligence Cloud offers powerful dashboards to track essential metrics on channel sales business performance.

- The Channel Sales dashboard allows analyzing sales by reporting partner, end customer geography, and reseller
- Sales Trends displays sales information including cumulative sales (ex: by distributor, reseller, and product), thus allowing period-over-period comparison of sales performance
- Sales Mix allows you to view sales mix across product families/lines/SKUs to identify trends and top reporting partners
- Product Mix enables analysis of product mix by partner type and end customer
- Inventory on-hand review details of 30 days of products sold and what’s on-hand and what channel partners have sold
THANKS FOR YOUR TIME

Learn more about our approach to Channel Data Management here.

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