 <p>DR. PABLO O. TORRE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL</p>	Document Code:	DPOTMH-B-6-P02
	Effective Date:	11-01-2022
	Document Type:	Policy
	Page Number:	1 of 3
	Department/Section:	Admitting Section
	Document Title:	<b>ANTI-DEPOSIT HOSPITAL POLICY</b>

B.S. Aquino Drive,  
Bacolod City,  
Negros Occidental,  
6100

### **PURPOSE:**

This is to establish a Hospital-wide procedure on how the Anti-Deposit Hospital Law will be applied to the daily operations of the Hospital and ensure the non-violation of said law. This policy covers, identifies and distinguishes between patient and client cases where the Anti-Deposit Hospital Law applies and those where it does not.

### **LEVEL:**

Admitting, Billing and ER/OPD


### **DEFINITION OF TERMS:**

**Republic Act No. 10932, otherwise known as the Anti-Hospital Deposit Law-** Provides that "in emergency or serious cases, it shall be unlawful for any hospital or medical clinic to request, solicit, demand or accept any deposit or any other form of advance payment as prerequisite for administering basic emergency care, for confinement or medical treatment, or to refuse to administer medical treatment and support to any patient."

### **POLICY:**

1. The Anti-Deposit Hospital Law was enacted as Batas Pambansa Bilang 702 and later amended by Republic Act 8344 in 1997. President Duterte later strengthened the Anti-Deposit Hospital Law through Republic Act 10932. For purposes of this policy, all provisions of RA 8344 as amended by RA 10932 shall be in effect.
2. The Anti-Deposit Hospital Law only penalizes the refusal of hospitals and medical clinics in providing initial medical treatment or support in emergency or **serious cases** if the patient cannot pay a deposit or advance. If the admission is not an emergency or serious case, a deposit shall be required from the patient.



 <p>B.S. Aquino Drive, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental, 6100</p> <p>DR. PABLO O. TORRE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL</p>	Document Code:	DPOTMH-B-6-P02
	Effective Date:	11-01-2022
	Document Type:	Policy
	Page Number:	2 of 3
	Department/Section:	Admitting Section
	Document Title:	<b>ANTI-DEPOSIT HOSPITAL POLICY</b>

3. For purposes of this policy, an “emergency case” patient is determined by the objective findings of a prudent medical officer that there is **immediate danger** which may cause the loss of life or permanent disability to the patient.
4. A “serious case” patient is determined by the objective findings of a prudent medical officer that, **when left unattended**, patient may lose his life or suffer permanent disability.
5. The difference between an emergency case and a serious case is that in emergency cases, the danger is immediate, while in serious cases, the danger exists if the patient is left unattended.
6. All patients seeking treatment or admission through the ER/OPD of the Hospital shall be assessed and evaluated at the Triage, and afterwards categorized. In the absence or non-function of the Triage, a prudent medical officer of the ER/OPD shall perform the assessment, evaluation and categorization of patients. No patient shall be turned away without such assessment or evaluation.

#### **DOCUMENTATION:**

Revised Policy


#### **DISSEMINATION:**

Hospital Communicator

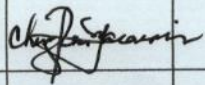
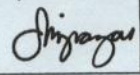
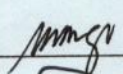

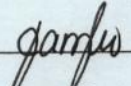

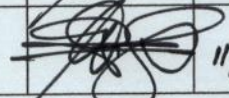
#### **REFERENCE:**

Duterte signs Anti-Hospital Deposit Law – Presidential Communications Operations Office ([pcoo.gov.ph](http://pcoo.gov.ph))



 <p>B.S. Aquino Drive, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental, 6100</p> <p>DR. PABLO O. TORRE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL</p>	Document Code:	DPOTMH-B-6-P02
	Effective Date:	11-01-2022
	Document Type:	Policy
	Page Number:	3 of 3
	Department/Section:	Admitting Section
	Document Title:	ANTI-DEPOSIT HOSPITAL POLICY

**APPROVAL:**

	Name/Title	Signature	Date
Prepared by:	<b>CHERRY ROSE M. MACAINAN</b> Admitting Supervisor		
Verified:	<b>MA. VICTORIA C. VARGAS</b> Chief Risk Manager		
	<b>MARIE MARGARET G. VALLADOLID, CPA, MBA</b> Treasury Manager		11/08/2022
Reviewed:	<b>DENNIS C. ESCALONA, MN, FPCHA, FPSQua</b> Quality Assurance Supervisor		11/08/2022
Recommending Approval:	<b>JULIE ANNE CHRISTINE J. KO, CPA, MBA, FPCHA</b> Chief Finance Officer		11/9/2022
	<b>SOCORRO VICTORIA L. DE LEON, CPA, MBA, PhD, FPCHA</b> Vice President, Chief Operating Officer		11/10/2022
Approved:	<b>GENESIS GOLDI D. GOLINGAN</b> President and CEO		11/11/22