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#### **PURPOSE:**

To give back to the patient the over payment on hospital bill due to:

- Credit adjustments such as late returned medicines, senior citizen discount, PWD discount, and other related adjustments;
- 2. Cash patient with financial assistance from government agencies.

#### LEVEL:

Accounts Receivable Clerk, Credit & Collection Supervisor, Collection-Head Company Account, Collection Clerk, Credit & Collection Manager, Treasury Manager

#### **DEFINITION OF TERMS:**

- 1. Excess Computation Sheet This refers to a form that shows the computation of the excess of the coverage of HMOs/Insurances.
- 2. Guarantee Note (GN) This refers to a letter of assurance, from a company with a credit line in the hospital, confirming that the cost of treatment for the patient shall be paid by such company within the specified limit.
- 3. Letter of Authorization (LOA) This refers to an endorsement from HMOs/Insurances accredited with the hospital confirming that the cost of treatment for the patient shall be paid by such HMOs/Insurances within the specified amount of coverage.
- Check Clearing This refers to the movement of cash from the bank at which a
  check is drawn (drawing bank) to the bank which is set to receive the funds
  (the depositing bank).
- 5. *Credit Advice* This refers to a notification from the bank that an amount of money has been deposited to the company's bank account.
- Payee This refers to a name of person who is the recipient of the patient's refund.



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#### **POLICY:**

- 1 The claimant of the patient's refund should either be:
  - 1.1 the patient
  - 1.2 the patient's authorized representative
  - 1.3 the parents/guardian, in case the patient is a minor or
  - 1.4 the direct dependent, in case the patient is bedridden or incapacitated
- 2 The patient's refund should be supported with the original copy of the Patient's Statement of Account or Hospital Bill as an internal control to prevent double processing of the refund.
- 3 The processing time of the patient's refund is seven (7) working days.
- 4 The patient's refund due to a senior citizen's discount should be supported with a photocopy of the senior citizen's ID or any valid document as proof that the patient is a senior citizen.
- 5 For hospital bill under the guarantee of HMOs, Insurances and other corporate accounts, the refund of the patient's deposit should be supported with a photocopy or duplicate copy of the Excess Computation Sheet, Summary of the Statement of Account and a photocopy of the Guarantee Note or Letter of Authority.
- 6 For payment through check, the patient's refund shall be processed after check clearing, which is three (3) working days.
- 7 For payment through the use of a credit/debit card, the patient's refund shall be processed after the receipt of the credit advice from the bank.
- 8 For patient's refund due to accommodation of reimbursement of insurance claim and other forms of financial assistance, a processing fee of One Hundred Fifty Pesos (P150.00) shall be deducted from the patient's refund to cover for the cost of paper, check, printer toner, manpower and other related costs.



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#### **PURPOSE:**

To provide a guidelines in the processing of patient's refund.

#### SCOPE:

Applies to all Credit and Collection Department Staff of Dr. Pablo O. Torre Memorial Hospital (DPOTMH)

#### **PERSON RESPONSIBLE:**

Accounts Receivable Clerk, Credit & Collection Supervisor, Collection-Head Company Account, Collection Clerk, Credit & Collection Manager, Treasury Manager

#### PROCEDURE:

#### Patient's Refund from Other Areas:

- 1 The Accounts Receivable Clerk logs the following:
  - 1.1 Request for Payment received from the Philhealth Section
  - 1.2 Supporting documents of refund from the Billing Section
  - 1.3 Request for Payment from the Pharmacy
- 2 The Accounts Receivable Clerk prepares the Request for Payment for those supporting documents from the Billing Section and forwards to the Credit & Collection Supervisor all the Request for Payment.
- 3 The Credit & Collection Supervisor validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment.
- 4 The Credit & Collection Manager checks if the patient has an outstanding account.
- 5 If yes, the Request for Payment is returned to the Credit & Collection Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount of refund in case the account is higher than the refund or deduction of the account from the refund in case the account is lower than the refund. Otherwise, the Credit and Collection Manager approves the Request for Payment.
- 6 The Collection Clerk logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance.



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#### Patient's Refund Processed by the Department:

- The Accounts Receivable Clerk gathers the supporting documents, such as the original copy of the Hospital Bill, a photocopy of the Excess Computation Sheet, a photocopy of the Senior Citizen's ID/ PWD ID and other necessary documents as proof of refund.
- 2. The Accounts Receivable Clerk prints the recent Summary of the Statement of Account or A/R Subsidiary Ledger-Back End that shows the patient's refund and attaches this to other supporting documents.
- 3. The Accounts Receivable Clerk asks the patient's representative as to the payee, if payee is other than the patient and the contact number.
- 4. The Accounts Receivable Clerk gives instructions as to when and where to claim the check and to present a valid identification card for the release of the check.
- 5. The Accounts Receivable Clerk prepares the Request for Payment for refund over P2,000.00 or Revolving Fund Voucher for refund of P2,000.00 and below and attaches to it the supporting documents.
- 6. The Credit & Collection Supervisor/Collection Head Company Account validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher.
- 7. The Credit & Collection Manager checks if the patient has an outstanding account.
- 8. If yes, the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher is returned to the Credit & Collection Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount of refund in case the account is higher than the refund or deduction of the account from the refund in case the account is lower than the refund. Otherwise, the Credit and Collection Manager approves the Request for Payment/ Revolving Fund Voucher.
- 9. The Collection Clerk logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance.
- 10. The Treasury Manager approves the Revolving Fund Voucher.
- 11. The Accounts Receivable Clerk endorses the approved Revolving Fund Voucher to the Cashier for release to the patient or patient's representative.



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	KEY TASKS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
	Patient's Refund from Other Are	eas:
1.	Logs the Request for Payment received from the Philhealth Section, Supporting documents of refund from the Billing Section and Request for Payment from the Pharmacy	Accounts Receivable Clerk
2.	Prepares the Request for Payment for those supporting documents from the Billing Section and forwards to the Credit & Collection Supervisor all the Request for Payment.	Accounts Receivable Clerk
3.	Validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment.	Credit & Collection Supervisor
4.	Checks if the patient has an outstanding account.	
5.	Returns the Request for Payment to the Credit & Collection Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount of refund in case the account is higher than the refund or deduction of the account from the refund in case the account is lower than the refund. Otherwise, approves the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher.	Credit & Collection Manager
6.	Logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance.	Collection Clerk
	Patient's Refund Processed by the	Department
1.	Gathers the supporting documents, such as the original copy of the Hospital Bill, a photocopy of the Excess Computation Sheet, a photocopy of the Senior Citizen's ID/ PWD ID and other necessary documents as proof of refund.	Accounts Receivable Clerk



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2.	Prints the recent Summary of the Statement of Account or A/R Subsidiary Ledger-Back End that shows the patient's refund and attaches this to other supporting documents.	
3.	Asks the patient's representative as to the payee, if payee is other than the patient and the contact number.	
4.	Gives instructions as to when and where to claim the check and to present a valid identification card for the release of the check.	Accounts Receivable Clerk
5.	Prepares the Request for Payment for refund over P2,000.00 or Revolving Fund Voucher for refund of P2,000.00 and below and attaches to it the supporting documents.	
6.	Validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher.	Credit & Collection Supervisor
7.	Checks if the patient has an outstanding account.	
8.	Returns the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher to the Credit & Collection Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount of refund in case the account is higher than the refund or deduction of the account from the refund in case the account is lower than the refund. Otherwise, approves the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher.	Credit & Collection Manager
9.	Logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance.	Collection Clerk
10.	Approves the Revolving Fund Voucher.	Treasury Manager
11.	Endorses the approved Revolving Fund Voucher to the Cashier for release to the patient.	Accounts Receivable Clerk



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# **FLOWCHART** Patient's Refund from Other Areas START Logs the Request for Payment received from the Philhealth Section, Supporting documents of refund from the Billing Section and Request for Payment from the Pharmacy Prepares the Request for Payment for those supporting documents from the Billing Section and forwards to the Credit & Collection Supervisor all the Request for Payment Validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment Checks if the patient has an outstanding account Returns the Request for Payment to the Credit & Collection Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount of refund in case the account is higher than the refund or deduction of the account from the refund in case the account is lower than the refund. Otherwise, approves the request for payment/ revolving fund voucher Logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance **END**



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#### **FLOWCHART**

#### PATIENT'S REFUND PROCESSED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

START

Gathers the supporting documents, such as the original copy of the Hospital Bill, a photocopy of the Excess Computation Sheet, a photocopy of the Senior Citizen's ID/PWD ID and other necessary documents as proof of refund

Prints the recent Summary of the Statement of Account or A/R Subsidiary Ledger-Back End that shows the patient's refund and attaches this to other supporting documents

Asks the patient's representative as to the payee, if payee is other than the patient and the contact number

Gives instructions as to when and where to claim the check and to present a valid identification card for the release of the check

Prepares the Request for Payment for refund over P2,000.00 or Revolving Fund Voucher for refund of P2000.00 and below and attaches to it the supporting documents

Validates the refund and signs the Request for Payment/Revolving Fund Voucher





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#### **FLOWCHART**



Checks if the patient has an outstanding account

Returns the Request for Payment/Revolving
Fund Voucher to the Credit & Collection
Supervisor for offsetting of the whole amount
of refund in case the account is higher than the
refund or deduction of the account from the
refund in case the account is lower than the
refund. Otherwise, approves the request for
payment/revolving fund voucher

Logs the approved Request for Payment and endorses this to the General Accounting for check issuance

Approves the Revolving Fund Voucher

Endorses the approved Revolving Fund Voucher to the Cashier for release to the patient

END



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