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PURPOSE:

To outline the detailed steps in the discharge of patients.

LEVEL:

Registered Nurses, Nursing Attendants, Ward Clerks, Auxiliaries, Billing Personnel, Attending Physician/Resident-in-Charge

DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Discharge of patient. A procedure that covers the activities from the time the attending physician orders the patient's discharge to the time the patient has left the hospital premises.

POLICY:

- 1. It shall be the policy of DPOTMH that all discharges shall have a written order from the Attending Physician.
- 2. Verbal Orders/Read Back Phone Orders for discharge shall not be allowed.
- 3. The Nurse on duty shall ensure that the discharge order is carried out as soon as the Attending Physician/Resident in charge gives the order.
- 4. The Nurse on duty/Ward Clerk shall implement the proper flow of the discharge process.
- 5. To ensure the safety and trust of our patients, all staff shall follow detailed work instructions on patient discharge.
- 6. The turn-over-time (TAT) for discharge is not more than two (2) hours.

DOCUMENTATION:

New Policy

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