

Job Description

Job Title	Accounts Receivable Analyst	
Department	Finance Department	
Reports to	Financial Analyst	
Date	2014	

Overall Purpose of Job

The mission of the Beacon Hospital is to provide exceptional patient care in an environment where quality, respect, caring and compassion are at the core of our practice. This must include all our patient dealings and business processes.

Accounts Receivable Analyst is responsible for all collection functions necessary to ensure the prompt and correct payment to the Hospital of all monies owed by insurers or patients and will be responsible for working accounts with balances according to their respective payer.

Accounts Receivable Analyst is responsible for the timely and accurate review of posting and balancing of payment or rejection and adjustment transactions which are necessary for closing accounts.

Key Responsibilities and Deliverables

- Be knowledgeable of full remit of Business Office and Finance processes and their effect hospital-wide.
- Have specific operational knowledge of assigned insurance billing contract, agreements and responsibilities in reviewing and following up aged debt.
- Be cognisant of responsibility of analyst's role in affecting hospital cash-flow.
- Manage assigned list by ensuring the timeliness and accuracy of payment postings and adjustments of accounts based upon functional standards.
- Resolve outstanding accounts from patients, insurance companies, consultants or colleagues in a professional and efficient manner.
- Responsible for updating system notes with account activity and status.
- Be competent in the use of the IT structure and processes that support business office processes and accounts receivable team.
- Collaborate with team members to facilitate the delivery of effective billing services and follow-up to all customers to promote account reconciliation.
- Have sufficient knowledge or access to knowledge to provide correct information with regard to fees, excesses or co-payments on individual policies or individual procedures.
- Be aware of all payment methods available to Beacon and be knowledgeable in payment collection processes, be competent in processing and formatting of payment listings.
- Promote and maintain strong relationships with the health insurance companies for the follow up of aging accounts and account queries.
- Participate in regular checking, review and reconciliation of reconciliation measures to ensure validity of management reporting of Key Performance Indicators.
- Participate in all audits, service evaluations and process reviews to enhance the collection of outstanding
- Comply with departmental and hospital policies and guidelines.



- Participate in meetings and other duties as requested and contribute to the on-going development of the department and hospital.
- Create an environment that encourages teamwork, positive attitudes and high morale.

Person Specification

Qualifications	 Third level qualification in Business, Accounting or Finance essential. Currently undertaking or intending to pursue a professional accounting qualification is desirable. Proficiency in MS Excel, Word and other related packages.
Experience	 At least 1 year previous work experience in Finance & Financial services. Previous Hospital experience favourable.
Job Specific Competencies and Knowledge	 Capacity for analytical thinking and problem-solving and possess good decision-making ability. Operational knowledge of Accounts Receivable processes and requirements. Ability to work to financial targets within timeframes. Demonstrate an affinity for dealing with accounts, balanced by high level of customer & patient relation skills. Demonstrate an aptitude for computing with good keyboard skills and ability to learn hospital system and supporting IT Systems. Capable of communicating effectively and courteously with stakeholders, including insurance companies, hospital consultants, billing agencies, clinical staff and hospital management. Strong awareness of the need for confidentiality, discretion, precision and a methodical approach in all matters. Maintain motivation to get things done with attention to detail, within the constraints of a busy department.
Personal Competencies	 All posts in Beacon Hospital require a high level of flexibility to ensure the delivery of an effective and efficient service. Therefore, the post holder will be required to demonstrate flexibility as, and when required by their manager. To be self motivated with a high capacity for responsibility and individual initiative while working within the team dynamic. Demonstrate an ability to prioritise work and handle large volumes of activity. Excellent organisational skills. A good level of English is required.

Important Note: The extent and speed of change in the delivery of health care is such that adaptability is essential in this position. The incumbent will be required to maintain and enhance their professional knowledge, skills and aptitudes necessary to respond to a changing situation. The Hospital is at the developmental stage and therefore, the job description must be regarded as an outline of the major areas of accountability at the present time. In light of the changing needs of the Hospital this job description may be subject to review as the Hospital and post holder's role develops.

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