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SingHealth Finance Shared Services (FSS)

Process Mapping Journey

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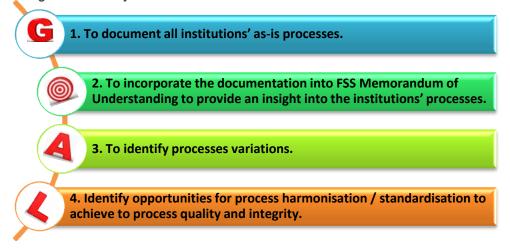
SingHealth Finance Shared Services (FSS)'s vision is to become Center of Excellence in handling value-adding services in Accounts Payables, Accounts Receivables, Fixed Assets Accounting and Payroll functions and to achieve economies of scale through uniform transactions processing.

The FSS process mapping and standardisation project was commenced in January 2013 to lay the foundation for FSS to evolve from managing partners / customers' relationship to managing their overall experience with FSS.

Figure 1. Extract of Project Timelines.

FSS	Process Mapping & Standardisation	Project 1	imeline																
Ste "	Tasks	Start Da *	Completion Date	Overall Status *	Remarks *	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14
1	Process Maps (As Is)	06-Feb-13	31-Jul-13																
	(a) AP	06-Feb-13	31-Jul-13	In Progress		Total 65 processes / 300 maps							 Documenting, validating, refining 						3
	(b) AR	26-Feb-13	31-Jul-13	Completed		Total 21	processe	s / 25 ma	ps			/	and streamlining internally						
	(c) FA	17-Feb-13	31-Jul-13	Completed		Total 19 processes / 109 maps						E							
	(d) Payroll	27-Feb-13	31-Jul-13	Completed		Total 51 processes / 51 maps													
2	FSS Team Validation (As Is)	01-Mar-13	30-Aug-13																
	(a) AP	01-Mar-13	30-Aug-13																
	(b) AR	01-Mar-13	31-Jul-13	In Progress															
	(c) FA	01-Mar-13	31-Jul-13	In Progress									Fixed Asset Started, Payroll – validating with partners						
	(d) Payroll	01-Mar-13	31-Jul-13	In Progress															
3	FSS draft SLA base on (As Is) Processes	15-Jul-13	30-Sep-13								k								

Figure 2. FSS Objectives.



Methodology



Figure 2. Process Mapping Steps.

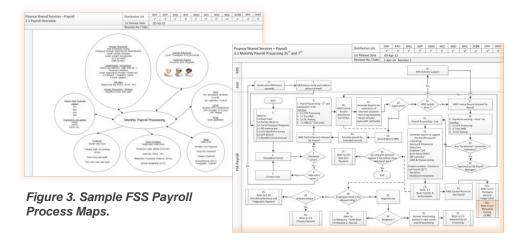


Figure 4. Sample FSS Accounts Payable Process Maps Content Page

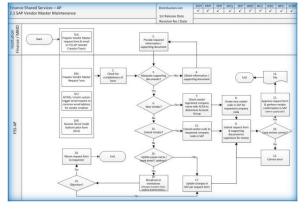


Figure 5. Sample FSS Accounts Payable Vendor Master Maintenance Map.

Result

The process mapping journey have enable us to:

- **1. Improve Process Efficiency**. Through process mapping, FSS improve efficiency by increasing visibility of processes, focus on critical process steps and eliminate potential processing errors.
- 2. Motivate Project Teams. Involvement in simplifying complex processes to easy-to-understand diagrams, promote the process ownership and team performance. Process maps also clearly define sequence of procedures to be taken and who are responsible for each process steps.
- Improve Customer Experience. Process maps address processes that has direct impact on customers' experiences, such as FSS service delivery, effective customer communication, etc...
- 4. Identified potential areas for improvements.
- 5. Give visual presentation to our institutions' partners / stakeholders highlighting process variations.
- 6. To yield economies of scale in transactions processing through **process harmonisation**.

Conclusion

Standardisation reduce complexities and make the service provision more efficient. Standardisation also increases capacity by improving our ability to integrate new operations and remove redundant activities.

It is essential that FSS and the respective institutions' partners / stakeholders to work closely to reduce process variations to improve quality and performance.

Ultimately, increases overall system savings for the Cluster through uniform transactions processing.

