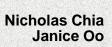


# Effective documentation and easy retrieval of Vendor's Proposal

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# **Background**

Vendor's Proposal refers to a document which contains important information submitted by vendor such as tendered medical device information, HSA registration, service contract prices and vendor's after sales support.

Upon receipt of purchased medical device, MMD (Materials Management Department) Good Receiving (GR) team had to:



Retrieve Vendor's Proposal from Purchasing team and photocopy one set (15 Minutes)



Raise Asset Handing Over (AHO) Form (5 Minutes)



Send AHO Form with photocopy of Vendor's Proposal and medical device to BME (Biomedical Engineering) to arrange for commissioning (10 Minutes)





#### Total Time Spent = 30 Minutes

It is very time consuming for GR team to find, retrieve and make copies of the Vendor's Proposal for each medical device.

If Purchasing team is not available for retrieval of the Vendor's Proposal, it will delay the process.

### Methodology

BME and MMD brainstormed for solutions and decided to create a common shared-drive folder to store the Vendor's Proposal according to Purchase Order (PO) Number for easy retrieval by both departments. The most time consuming step will be eliminated.



Retrieve the Vendor's Proposal from Purchasing team and photocopy one set of it (15 Minutes)



Raise Asset Handing Over (AHO) Form (5 Minutes)



Send AHO Form and medical device to BME to arrange for commissioning (10 Minutes)



BME retrieves the Vendor's Proposal from common shared-drive folder after receipt of AHO Form and medical device from MMD (1 Minute)

**Total Time Spent = 16 Minutes** 

#### **Solution**

In Jan 2015, MMD Purchasing team started to load the latest copy of Vendor's Proposal in the common shareddrive folder once PO is issued to the vendor.

This eliminated the process on finding and photocopying the Vendor's Proposal for new medical devices delivered.

## **Conclusion**



Savings of \$840 manpower cost per year



**Increased Productivity** 



Eliminated time spent to find and photocopy Vendor's Proposal by 3,360 minutes per year