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Introduction

What is Giro Payment Mode?

- A new cashless payment mode provided to patients that is convenient, safe and fast.
- Caregivers are able to use Giro to pay polyclinics bill for their family.
- Giro offers the convenience to patients by skipping the payment stage in the polyclinics and have the bill paid through auto deduction via their bank account.

Objective

- Innovative payment mode in SingHealth Polyclinics (SHP).
- Enhance patients experience through reduction of waiting time.
- Improve organization's Account Receivables & bad debts in the long run.

Methodology

More than 60% of SHP patients are chronic cases and visit SHP once every 3 to 6 months. The average bill size is around \$100 or less after subsidies and Medisave.

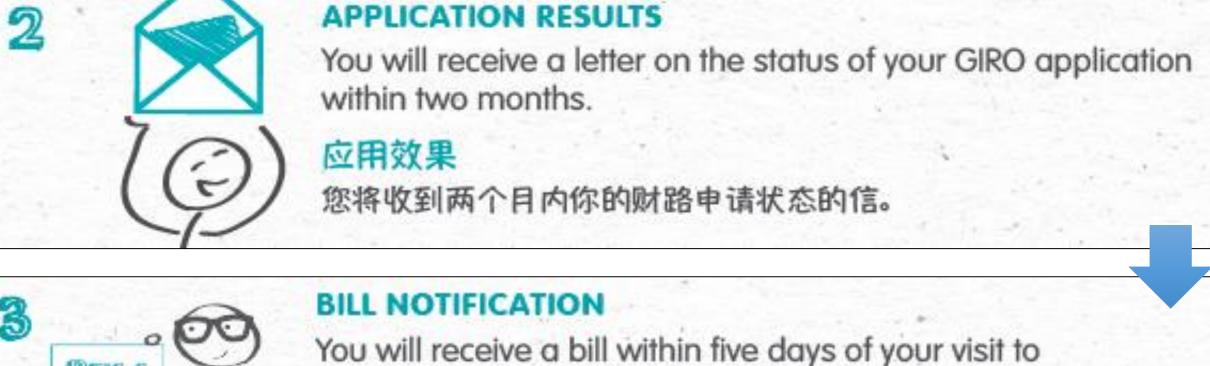
Overcrowding situation can be seen during peak period. The average waiting time for making payment is 22 minutes. There were feedbacks that Caregivers want to pay the bill for their family members but were unable to accompany them for the visit.

Recurring visits and patient behavior led to SHP in introducing Giro to meet the patients' needs. Giro can be used to pay any SHP services except for items from Retail Pharmacy and Miscellaneous receipts.

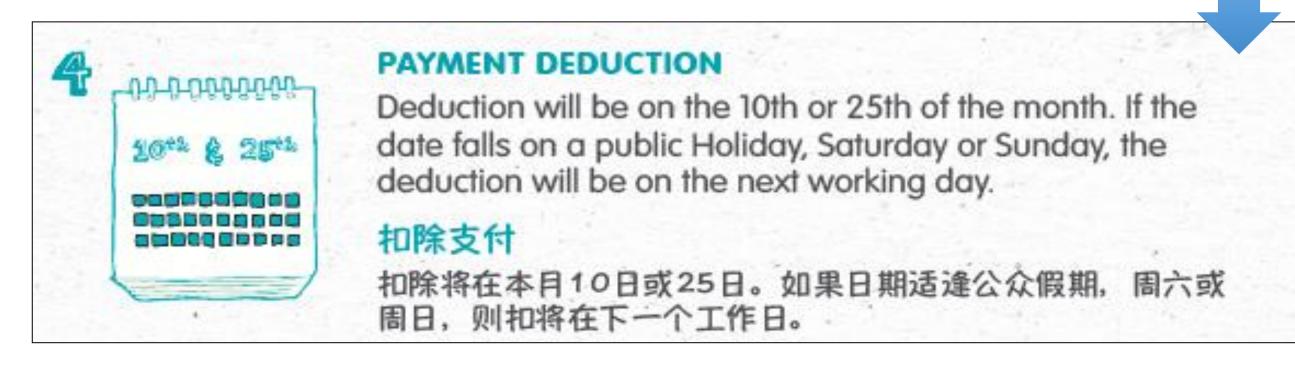


How to Sign up for





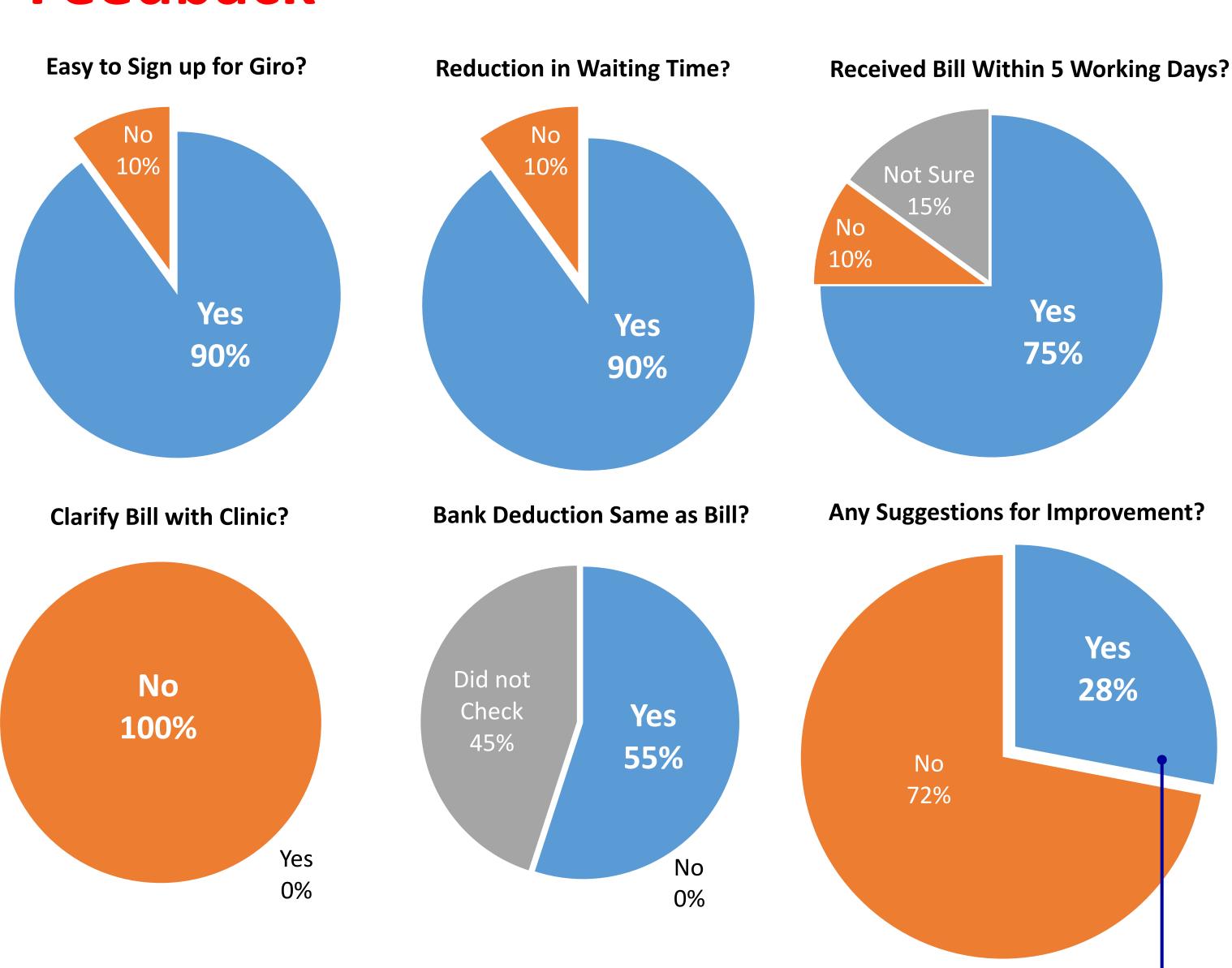
the polyclinic. 账单通知 您将在您访问的综合诊所五天收到账单。



Results **Number of Giro Users: 154 Number of Giro Transactions: 56 Total Value of Transactions: \$1,547.74**

Above results are collated from 21 December 2015 to 25 May 2016

Feedback



Sample Size: 20 Giro users who have successful deductions via their bank account

- Consider SMS verifications.
- Go Payment Kiosk to print bill (receipt). Consider online submission for Giro
- application. Hope SHP hear more from patients.

Conclusion

- There had been a reduction in waiting time for Giro patients. Patients can proceed home after consultation and collection of medication.
- More caregivers are applying Giro payment mode to pay for their family members.
- More choices of payment mode for SHP patients aside to cash, nets, cash cards and cheque.

Future Work

- Leverage Giro as payment mode for new initiatives such as Telecare Home Delivery Services in 2016.
- Reduction of Account Receivables from patients in the long run.