

Project Title

How to Terminate a PROCESS Seamlessly

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Organisation(s) Involved

Singapore General Hospital

Healthcare Family Group(s) Involved in this Project

Healthcare Administration

Applicable Specialty or Discipline

Business Office, Office of Patient Experience

Aims

- To adhere to the PDPA and Credit Cards Security Guidelines for keeping patient's credit card information and charging with authorization
- To align with organization's payment initiatives to provide a seamless payment options to all patients.

Background

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Methods

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Results

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Conclusion

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Additional Information

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Project Category

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Introduction

'Service Express' was a pre-payment authorization service offered to Specialist Outpatient Clinics' (SOC) patients. The service allows patients to skip the payment queue as it allow us to charge their SOC bills to their preferred payment mode.

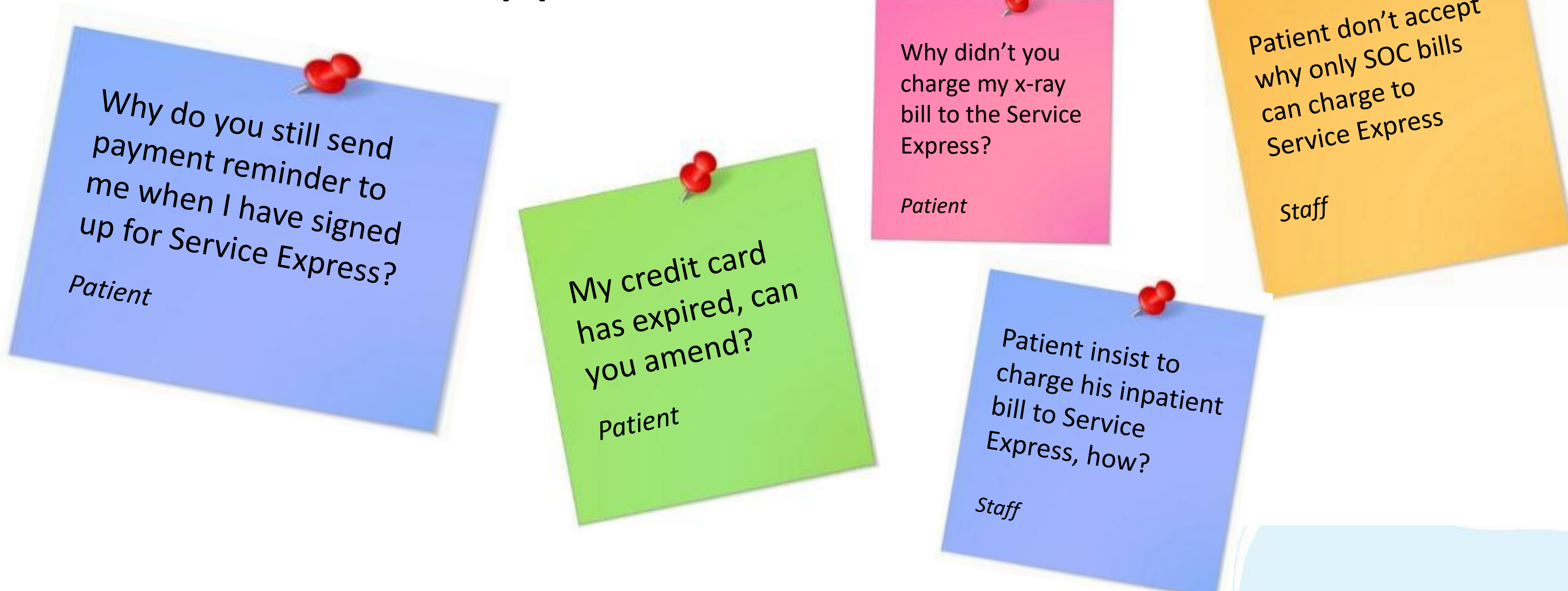
As time evolves and regulations changes, the initiative once brought much convenience to both patients and staff has started to surface unforeseen concerns and issues.



METHODOLOGY

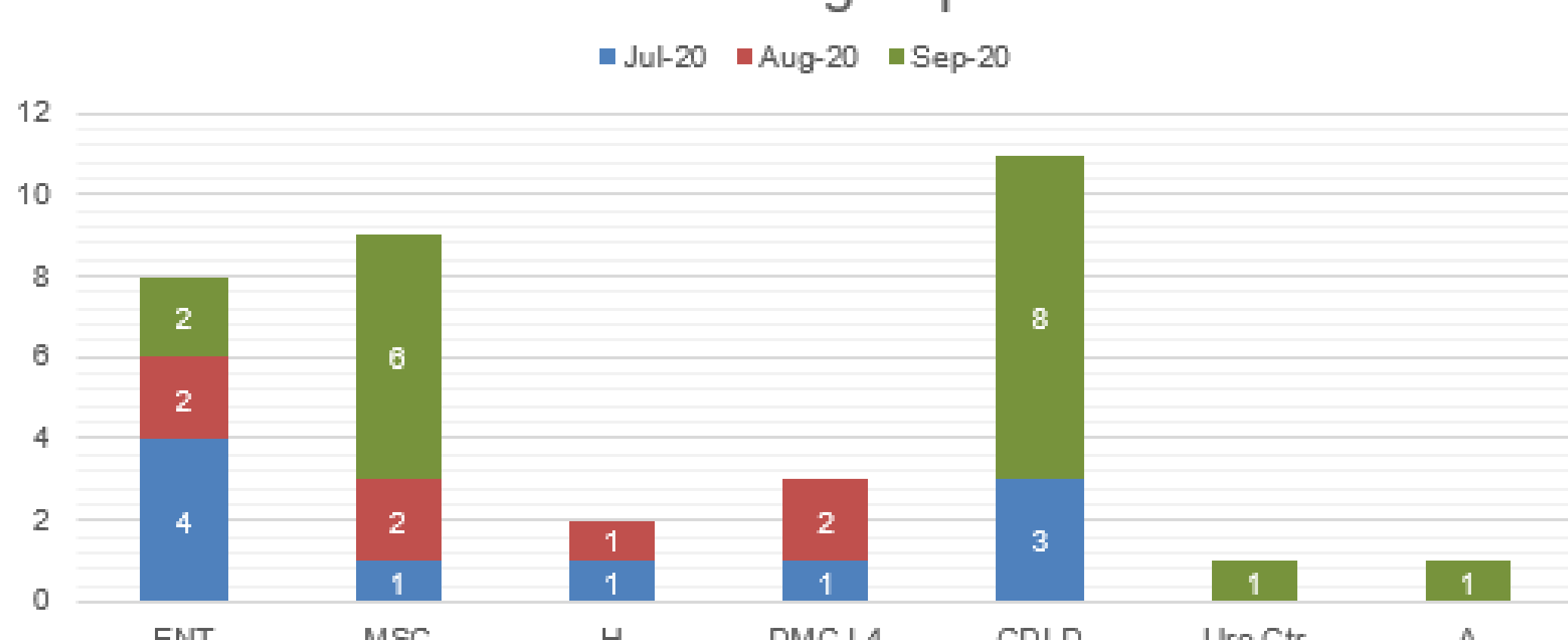


- Feedback from patients and staff was solicited.
- Statistics on the number of patients on Service Express was extracted.
- Proposal was surfaced to senior management for comments and approval.



Service Express

No. of Sign-ups



- To cease Service Express for new sign-ups & renewals with immediate effect
- Service Express does not applies to other outpatient locations except for SOC bills
- Payment notification SMS via OAS is suppressed for patients who are tagged "Service Express"



OBJECTIVE

- To adhere to the PDPA and Credit Cards Security Guidelines for keeping patient's credit card information and charging with authorization.
- To align with organization's payment initiatives to provide a seamless payment options to all patients.



REMOVE advert

- Service Express promotion banner was removed from SGH Block 3 Level 1 escalator area.

IMPROVE patients' experience

- Patients who subscribed to Service Express service was informed in writing about the cessation and informed about the payment options.

IMPROVE staffs' satisfaction

- 'Frequently Asked Questions' (FAQs) was prepared for staff.
- No negative feedback for the cessation and no more manual routing to process 'Service Express' bills.

Conclusion

As much convenience that we would like to offer to our patients, it's important that we review our processes on a periodic basis to ensure that the service meets the required regulations.

