The Role of Leadership in Resource Decisions

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Learning Objectives

1. Describe how leadership makes decisions related to the purchase or use of resources.

2. Describe the importance of tracking assets.

3. Describe the importance of a physical plant and equipment maintenance program.

What is a Fixed Asset?

»"Long-Term Pieces of Property that will be used in the operation of your hospital and that won't be converted to cash in less than a year"

~Examples:

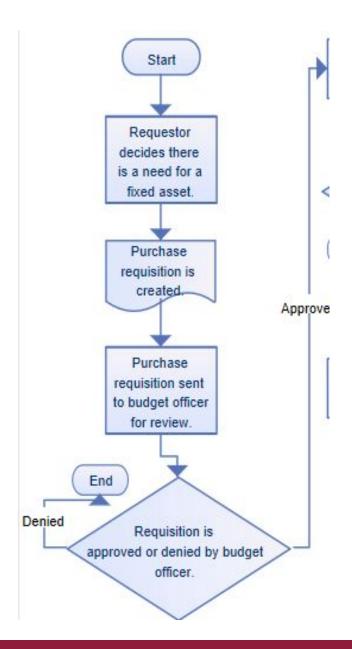
- Equipment
- Furniture
- Electronics
- Vehicles
- Buildings
- Land
- Office Equipment



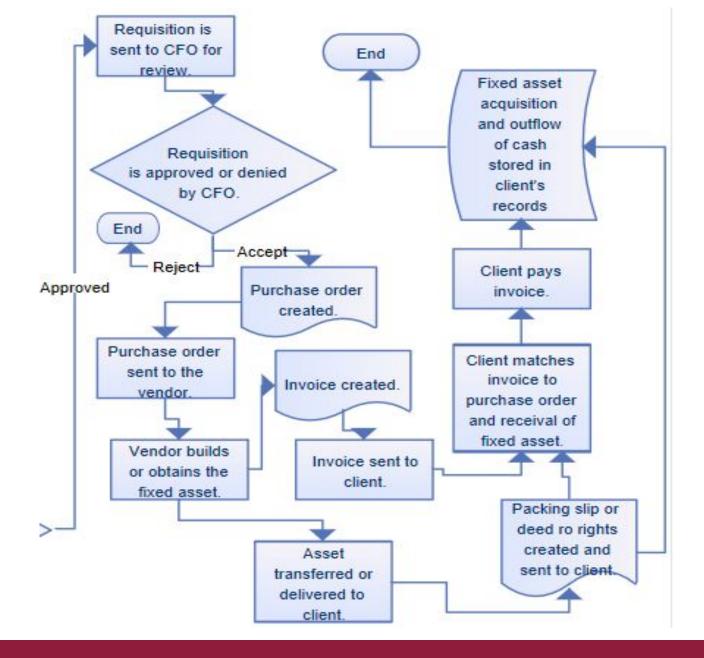
Acquiring a Fixed Asset

- » Decision-making Considerations
 - ~ Improved patient care
 - Reduction in the cost of operation
 - ~ Replacement of old or inoperable equipment
 - ~ Return on Investment
- » Fixed Asset Sources
 - ~ Benevolent Donor
 - Purchase from a Vendor
- » Purchasing Process











What is Fixed Asset Management?

- »Specifies the process to
 - ~Track
 - ~Protect
 - ~Value and
 - ~Maintain your investments
- »Manual process using a spread sheet
- »Automated process using specialized software



Necessity of Fixed Asset Management

- »Volume of Fixed Assets is Massive
- »Need to properly maintain is Crucial
- »Availability of Assets are Critical
- »Financial risks are Daunting



Fixed Access Register (FAR)

- » Contains all the Fixed Assets of the Facility
- »FAR Contents
 - Asset Tag or Label and Description
 - Unique Number or
 - Bar-coded Label or
 - Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tag
 - ~ Quantity of the Asset
 - ~ Cost
 - ~ Name of Supplier
 - ~ Physical Location
 - ~ Maintenance Schedule
 - ~ Depreciation Status



Fixed Asset Equipment Maintenance

- »Objective: Prevent equipment failure and minimize production loss
- »Importance of Maintenance Management
 - ~ Improves facility productivity
 - ~ Keeps equipment in their optimum operating condition
 - ~ Decreases operating costs of the equipment
 - ~ Lack of maintenance leads to unscheduled down time
 - Loss of production
 - Causes rescheduling
 - Results in overtime
 - Possible need for contract employees



Maintenance Management Functions

- »Develop maintenance policies, procedures, and standards
- »Schedule preventive maintenance work
- »Complete repairs in a timely manner
- »Document and maintain a record of each maintenance activity
- »Facilitate periodic inspection of specific equipment
- »Prepare and maintain an inventory list of spare parts
- »Recruit and train staff to conduct effective maintenance
- »Implement necessary safety standards



Fixed Asset Management Best Practices

- »Address "ghost" assets
 - ~ Remove lost, stolen, or unusable assets from the FAR
- »Conduct physical asset inventories
 - ~ Performed at regular intervals
 - ~ Develop process to add new assets
 - ~ Ensure that the FAR is accurate and current
- »Tag assets
 - ~ Use unique identifiers
 - ~ Use of bar-code or RFID will reduce the time to take inventory



More Best Practices

- »Migrate from a spread sheet solution to fixed asset management software
 - ~Reduces the amount of human error
 - ~Includes audit trails and asset tracking history
 - ~Provides ease of incorporating and changing depreciation methods



Getting started with your FAR

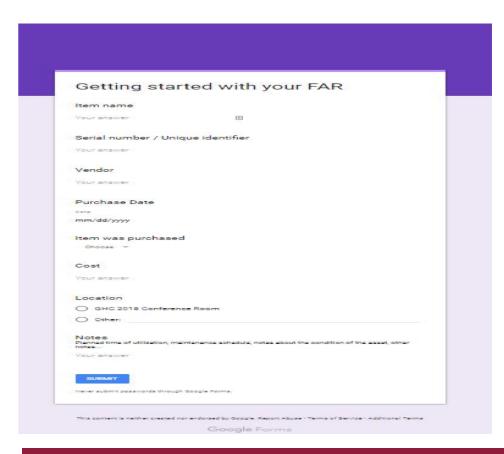
- »Equipment needed:
 - ~Desktop / Laptop / Cell phone
 - ~Google Account to setup the form

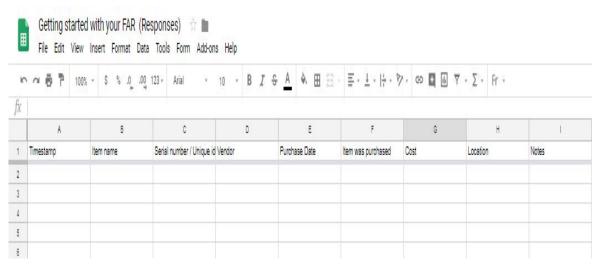
»Live demo:

~browse to: ghcdemo.haitiadventisthospital.org



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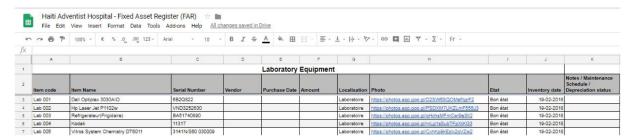




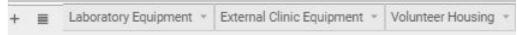
Haiti Adventist Hospital FAR

»Actually done on a spreadsheet

~Distributed using Google Sheets



~Using different tabs for different asset location



»Next step:

~Migration to Fixed Asset Management Software



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Questions