

Job Title:	Accounts Payable Clerk/Purchase Ledger Clerk
Reports to (job title):	Accounts Payable Manager
Line Manager to:	NA

Job purpose

As an Accounts Payable Clerk at HCRG Care Group, you will play a vital role in ensuring the accurate and timely processing, payment, and allocation of invoices. You will provide exceptional service to both internal and external stakeholders while maintaining strong financial controls.

Supporting the AP Manager, you will assist in supplier master data updates and ledger cleansing, contributing to the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the finance function. Your attention to detail and commitment to accuracy will help maintain compliance with financial policies and procedures, ensuring a smooth and well-managed accounts payable process.

Base

This is a hybrid role where you are expected to regularly visit the Runcorn office.

Key responsibilities

Please find the key responsibilities for the Accounts Payable Clerk role below:

- Process all purchase invoices within sufficient time to enable payment in line with agreed supplier payment terms.
- Resolve any price or quantity variances, missing goods receipts and any other exceptions arising on purchase order invoices, working closely with the purchase requisitioners within the business units.
- Perform monthly statement reconciliations for key suppliers, projects, and ad-hoc tasks.
- Manage and prioritise a busy accounts payable mailbox which will include invoices and queries to resolve.
- Identify issues by liaising with key stakeholders, build relations and manage queries.

- Manage Direct Debit accounts closely and proactively chase invoices from suppliers to clear down debits within a month of DD being collected. Ensure VAT invoices for all payments made via direct debit are obtained and processed onto the ledger to allow payments to be cleared.
- Work with suppliers to manage payments in accordance with agreed payment terms.
- Work closely with the business to ensure purchase orders are closed once all goods and invoices have been received.
- Maintain historical records by attaching invoices and associated documentation in ERP.
- Other ad hoc duties as required

Our values

Our values are our moral compass and core to our DNA. They underpin the way we deliver our services and treat those who use our services.

To many organisations values are just words which don't translate into reality of the day to day but our values flow through everything that we do, they define who we are, what we stand for and set the expectations of our colleagues, communities, customers and partners. They have been defined by our colleagues and have been integral to our journey so far and will be integral to our future as well.

We have three values which help us stand out from the crowd, not just because there's only three, but because they are unique to who we are. We care, we think, and we do.

Care	Think	Do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspire• Understand• Communicate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Challenge• Improve• Learn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accountability• Involve• Resilience

Confidentiality and Information Security

As our employee you will be required to uphold the confidentiality of all records held by the company, whether patients/service records or corporate information. This duty lasts indefinitely and will continue after you leave the company's employment.

All information which identifies living individuals in whatever form (paper/pictures, electronic data/images or voice) is covered by the 2018 Data Protection Act and should be managed in accordance with this legislation. This and all other information must be held in line with NHS national standards including the Records Management: NHS Code of Practice , NHS Constitution and HSCIC Code of Practice on Confidential Information and should only be accessed or disclosed lawfully. Monitoring of compliance will be undertaken

by the Company. Failure to adhere to Information Governance policies and procedures may result in disciplinary action and, where applicable, criminal prosecution.

Information governance responsibilities

You are responsible for the following key aspects of Information Governance (not an exhaustive list):

- Completion of annual information governance training
- Reading applicable policies and procedures
- Understanding key responsibilities outlined in the Information Governance acceptable usage policies and procedures including NHS mandated encryption requirements
- Ensuring the security and confidentiality of all records and personal information assets
- Maintaining timely and accurate record keeping and where appropriate, in accordance with professional guidelines
- Only using email accounts authorised by us. These should be used in accordance with the Sending and Transferring Information Securely Procedures and Acceptable Use Policies.
- Reporting information governance incidents and near misses on CIRIS or to the appropriate person e.g. line manager, Head of Information Governance, Information Security Lead
- Adherence to the clear desk/screen policy
- Only using approved equipment for conducting business

Governance

Clinical governance is a framework through which organisations delivering health and care services are accountable to continuously improving the quality of their services and safeguarding high standards of care by creating an environment in which clinical and other forms of care flourishes. Employees must be aware that clinical governance places a duty on all staff to ensure that the level of care services they deliver to patients is safe and high quality, and that they follow/comply with our policies and procedures.

Registered Health Professional

All staff who are a member of a professional body must comply with standards of professional practice/conduct. It is the post holder's responsibility to ensure they are both familiar with and adhere to these requirements.

Risk Management/Health & Safety

The post holder has a responsibility to themselves and others in relation to managing risk, health and safety and will be required to work within the policies and procedures laid down by the company. Staff are required to observe the Hygiene Code and demonstrate good infection control and hand hygiene.

Employees must be aware of the responsibilities placed on them by the Health & Safety at Work Act (1974) to ensure that the agreed safety procedures are carried out to maintain a safe environment for other employees, patients and visitors. It is essential to observe strict fire and security precautions at all times.

All staff must report accidents, incidents and near misses so that the company can learn from them and improve safety.

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Responsibility

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults at risk of harm and expects all employees to share this commitment.

Medicines Management Responsibility

Nursing or registered healthcare professionals

Undertake all aspects of medicines management related activities in accordance within the company's medicines policies to ensure the safe, legal and appropriate use of medicines.

Skilled non-registered staff

Undertake all aspects of medicines management related activities in accordance with the company's medicines policy where appropriate training has been given and competencies have been achieved.

Policies and Procedures

All colleagues must comply with the Company Policies and Procedures which can be found on the company intranet.

General

We are committed to serving our community. We aim to make our services exemplary in both clinical and operational aspects. We will show leadership in identifying healthcare needs to which we can respond and in determining the most cost-effective way of doing so.

Job Description

We recruit competent staff that we support in maintaining and extending their skills in accordance with the needs of the people we serve. We will recognise the commitment from our staff to meeting the needs of our patients.

The company recognises a “non-smoking” policy. Employees are not able to smoke anywhere within the premises or when outside on official business.

Equal Opportunities

It is the company's intention to be an employer of choice and ensure that no job applicants or employees are unfairly disadvantaged on the grounds of gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, colour, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, trade union membership or any other factors that are not relevant to their capability or potential. To this end, the company has an Equality and Diversity policy and it is the responsibility of each employee to contribute to its success.

Flexibility Statement

This job description is not exhaustive and may change as the post develops or changes to align with service needs. Any such changes will be discussed directly between the post holder and their line manager.

Personal Specification

Essential

- Minimum 3 years' previous experience in an account's payable role specifically within a high transactional volume environment
- Target driven individual who enjoys working as part of a team
- Ability to organise and prioritise workload to meet agreed SLA's.
- Attention to detail ensuring high levels of accuracy.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Experience of working to tight deadlines
- Good understanding of MS Office including Excel (vlookups and pivots) and Outlook
- Driving licence and access to a car.

Desirable

- Experience in Microsoft Dynamics Business Central ERP system.
- Experience in Proactis P2P system.

Employee signature

Manager signature
