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**SECTION 08.0  
NZBMDR FEE STRUCTURE and BILLING**

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## SECTION 8.0 NZBMDR FEES AND BILLING

**Funding of unrelated searches, the cost of tissue typing, freight, stem cell procurement and courier expenses for NZ patients are paid by the District Health Board (DHB) of the patient's transplant centre.**

### 8.1 UNRELATED SEARCH DEPOSIT

When an unrelated bone marrow donor search commences .NZBMDR will invoice the District Health Board of the patient for a deposit of \$5000. This money is held by the NZBMDR and used for payment of patient requested tissue typing of donors on registries both within and outside New Zealand. It may also be used for other search related expenses.

### 8.2 FURTHER FUNDING

If the initial deposit of \$5000 has been depleted before a potential donor has been identified, NZBMDR will contact the Search Centre to ascertain if the search is to continue. If the search is to continue the District Health Board must supply further funding, or give an assurance to the NZBMDR that an invoice for further expenditure will be reimbursed.

### 8.3 PAYMENT OF INVOICES

All invoices for services associated with a patient search will be paid by NZBMDR within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. These payments will be debited to the individual patient's search account.

### 8.4 PAYMENT FOR HAEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL PROCUREMENT

The requesting Search Centre must guarantee payment of the cost of procuring Stem Cells before a stem cell collection can be finalised.

The Search Centre must pay all courier expenses including travel and accommodation.

NZBMDR will pay the invoice for stem cell procurement within 30 days and on-charge the requesting DHB.

The requesting DHB must reimburse NZBMDR for the stem cell procurement costs within 30 days.

### 8.5 FINAL PATIENT ACCOUNT STATEMENT

When a patient search is concluded, either by cancellation by the search centre or after procurement of stem cells, a final statement will be produced. Evidence of all payments and receipts will be filed and kept for 30 years under the patient's name.

**8.6 ABMDR FEE SCHEDULE**

The NZBMDR has an agreement with the ABMDR in which donor typing and supply of HPC will be at an agreed cost with the rider that this cost will be the equal number of dollars but charged at Australian dollars from Australia and New Zealand dollars from New Zealand.

**8.7 INTERNATIONAL FEE SCHEDULE see BMDW website**

All testing of NZBMDR donors is requested through the ABMDR Matchpoint system. An invoice will be issued by NZBMDR for payment to be made directly to NZBMDR. NZBMDR will charge all other Bone Marrow Donor Registries on a reciprocal basis