

255.30 Collecting and settling claims for care.

Whenever a patient or person legally liable for the patient's care at the hospital has insurance, an estate, rights of action against others, or other assets, any of which can be subjected thereto, the university hospital, by its superintendent or the superintendent's assistants through the facilities of the attorney general's office, is hereby authorized to file claims, institute or defend suits in courts, and use such other legal means as may be available to collect accounts incurred for the care of indigent or private patients, and may compromise, settle and release the same, all under such rules and procedures therefor as may be prescribed by the president of the university and the attorney general. If a county has paid any part of such patient's care a pro rata part of the amount collected, after deduction for cost of collection, shall be remitted to said county and the balance shall go into the hospital fund.

[C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 255.30]