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### MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of VI<sup>th</sup> meeting of National Council for Clinical Establishments held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Jagdish Prasad, DGHS on 8th December 2014 at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi are sent herewith for information and necessary action.

  
(K.L. Sharma)  
Joint Secretary

To

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- 8) PPS to JS (KL Sharma)/PS to Dir (TC)/MS section

## **Minutes of the VI<sup>th</sup> Meeting of National Council for Clinical Establishments**

The 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the National Council for Clinical Establishments was held under the Chairmanship of Dr Jagdish Prasad, DGHS on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.

2. The list of participants is annexed at Annexure II.

3. Chairman welcomed all the members and other participants. Thereafter individual items were taken up for consideration. The National Council confirmed the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

4. Dr. Anil Kumar, Senior CMO made a presentation on the action taken report on the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of National Council. He informed that after the last meeting, comments had been invited from the State Governments, members of the National Council and its Subcommittee. In addition, comments were sought from members of public on the draft documents namely minimum standards, application format for permanent registration, Forms for collection of information and statistics to be collected from Clinical Establishments (OPD Form, IPD Form, Laboratory and Imaging), Template of Display of Rate and Standard Treatment Guidelines of Ayurveda. These comments were invited through website from 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2014 to 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2014, for a total period of one month and 7 days. It was informed that as recommended by National Council during earlier meetings, the attempts by allied health professionals like medical technologists, MSc in medical microbiology, MSc. In medical biochemistry etc. to work as independent practitioners were not agreed to. The members appreciated the position taken in this regard. It was informed that now State of Uttarakhand has also adopted the Act. Thus the Act is now applicable to 9 States and 6 UTs. One Advocacy cum training workshop was organized in the State of Jharkhand in collaboration with Dte.GHS for District CMOs, programme officers and other stakeholders.

### **5. The summary of discussions and action points recommended are as given under:**

- i. The hard copies of following documents were distributed for comments and suggestions, which may be sent by participants with in next 2 weeks
  - Application Format for Permanent Registration
  - General Guidelines for Day Care Centres
  - General Guidelines for Wellness Centres

- ii. The necessary amendments in the report submitted by Sub-committee on classification and categorisation were discussed. Following changes/additions/modifications were approved:
- a. The term ‘dispensary’ will be used instead of “dispensing” in categorization
  - b. Home Care will not be covered under regulation.
  - c. Palliative care centre, MTP Centre, Maternity Home, Medical Spa, Health Check-up Centre, Trauma Centre, Clinical Psychologist centre (as allied health professional) to be included in categorization. The centres running services of Artificial Reproductive techniques and Stem Cell Therapy shall also be registered and regulated under Clinical Establishments Act.
  - d. Under Category ‘Hospitals’, following categories will be added
    - **‘Maternity Home’** means any premises used or intended to be used for reception of pregnant women or of women in labour or immediately after child birth;
    - **‘Nursing Home’** means any premises used or intended to be used for reception of persons suffering from any sickness injury or infirmity and providing of treatment and nursing for them and include a maternity home.
  - e. It was decided that only those centres including wellness centres where qualified medical professionals are available or supervise the services are to be registered and regulated and additional para professionals should not be included at this stage.
  - f. It was agreed that the definition of diagnostic centre should cover both Imaging and Clinical Laboratories.
  - g. The draft categorization in respect of AYUSH clinical establishments as circulated to National Council members during earlier meetings was approved, as annexed at Annexure I.
- iii. The need for Minimum Standard for Trauma Centre and Medical Spa should be referred to DDG (Trauma Care) and AYUSH respectively for their advice and obtaining information about minimum standards prescribed in their programs if any.
- iv. It was informed that the minimum standards for most of the super specialities had also been completed and placed on the website and also shared with all members of National Council and its subcommittee and members of the public for their comments. The comments received were compiled and discussed with respective speciality/super speciality groups on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2014 and final draft prepared. These are ready to be shared for approval and are being sent to all the members of National Council again to seek their comments within 15 days before it may be considered for approval/notification.

- v. The members of the National Council were informed of the first meeting of the Subcommittee for defining the range of the rates, which was held on 3-12-2014. Three Groups are proposed to be constituted as under:

- Group 1: List of Procedures and Services
- Group 2: Study of Existing Rates
- Group 3: Methodology of Costing

The Chairman of the Subcommittee, Dr. Athani informed that Indian Medical Association and majority of the corporate hospital representatives opposed fixation of rates by the Government during the meeting of Subcommittee. He therefore suggested that we need to carefully assess whether it would be feasible to fix rates at the National level. Engaging the third party may be required to carry it forward. Dr. Athani, further emphasised that initially, only display of rates by clinical establishments should be emphasised. He stated that we should implement the Act step by step. This was seconded by Sh. K L Sharma, Joint Secretary and the Secretary to National Council. Dr. Ramjee and Dr. Mira Shiva stated that controlling the rates is required.

- vi. It was recommended that the Doctors' Fee in the private hospital including corporate hospital may not be fixed by Government at this stage and the private / corporate sector may be allowed to decide their own rates and display the same accordingly. Single Doctor Clinic/Polyclinic incharge should likewise display its own rates. DGHS said that we should define the minimum rates based on the experience from Government hospitals such as G B Pant Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital for information of the consumers i.e. patients and their relatives. The decision on the upper limit of rates could be left to the private/corporate sector. He said that the present priority should be registration of Clinical Establishments, defining minimum standards and implementing standard treatment guidelines by the respective state Government.
- vii. As regards physiotherapy centre, it was decided that Physiotherapists will be treated as allied health professionals and such centres offering physiotherapy services will be required to be registered as part of hospital/centre run under qualified registered medical doctors.
- viii. The NHSRC representative Dr. Prasanth proposed to hold the awareness meeting(s) as decided in the 5<sup>th</sup> National Council meeting at the earliest. He was advised to submit proposal to conduct advocacy workshop in the States.

- ix. Dr. Ramjee from CCH informed that it is only the BHMS degree which is recognised degree of Homoeopathy all over the country.
- x. It was recommended that a meeting may be held with all state authorities including state council chairman or representative to disseminate information, plan strategies for implementation of the Act in the States. The Budget availability for Clinical Establishments Act through NRHM for Human Resource and equipment should be ascertained and shared with all State/UT programme officers as it was reported by some States that the budget is not available.
- xi. Joint Secretary, Sh. K.L. Sharma said that in case of permanent registration, application form that has been shared with all the members, the states may also be requested to give their comments which should be discussed in the next meeting. Modification of minimum standards may be done by State/UTs keeping the ground realities in view and the kind of relaxation that is required in the Minimum Standards developed as a model standards at the central level.
- xii. The representative of Uttarakhand informed that the Clinical Establishments Act has been adopted by the Government of Uttarakhand and notification of state council and notifications of District Registering Authorities (DRAs) have been issued. The state was advised to fill all the posts at the State Council secretariat and in the DRA office and also to provide logistics and financial support to DRA, as part of activity supported by the Government of India.
- xiii. Since Yoga and Naturopathy system has no regulatory council at present, their minimum standards and range of rates need not be notified in the present.
- xiv. The following guidelines may also be developed/uploaded on the website if available as they represent cross cutting areas as applicable to most of the categories of clinical establishments
- Waste management
  - Patient safety and infection control
  - Other standard treatment guidelines
- xv. Advocacy cum Training Workshops may be organized in other implementing States and UTs.

The meeting ended with the Vote of thanks.

- **Ayurveda**

Ausadh Chikitsa  
Shalya Chikitsa  
Shodhan Chikitsa  
Rasayana  
Pathya Vyavastha  
Any other please specify

- **Unani**

Matab  
Jarahat  
Ilaj-bit-Tadbeer  
Hifzan-e-Sehat   ``  
Any other please specify:

- **Siddha**

Maruthuvam  
Sirappu Maruthuvam  
Varmam Thokknam & Yoga  
Any other please specify:

- **Homeopathy**

General Homeopathy  
Any other please specify:

- **Naturopathy**

External Therapies with natural modalities  
Internal Therapies  
Any other please specify:

- **Yoga**

Ashtang Yoga  
Any other please specify:

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**6<sup>TH</sup> meeting of National Council for Clinical Establishments under the Chairmanship of Dr Jagdish Prasad, DGHS, held on 08.12.2014 at 11.00 pm in the Resource Centre Room No-445A, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi**

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