OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Regarding tests/investigations at private hospitals/diagnostic laboratories/imaging centres empanelled under CGHS/CS(MA) Rules.

The undersigned is directed to say that the references for clarification of validity of the medical prescriptions, etc. issued by the Authorised Medical Attendant have been received in the Ministry.

2. The matter has been examined in the Ministry and it is clarified that in case of CS(MA) beneficiaries availing tests/investigations at private hospitals/diagnostic laboratories/imaging centres empanelled under CGHS/CS(MA) Rules on the recommendation of their concerned AMAs and after obtaining permission from their respective Departments/Ministries, the medical prescription issued by an AMA/Government Specialist prescribing diagnostic tests/investigations shall be treated as valid for a single use within a period of two weeks from the date of prescription. However the medical prescription shall remain valid beyond two weeks for undertaking diagnostic tests/investigations if specifically prescribed by the AMA/Government Specialist, about the date or period by which the prescribed tests are to be conducted for a routine check up or follow up treatment. The medical prescription would require revalidation or issue of a fresh prescription from the prescribing AMA/Government Specialist for getting the prescribed tests done after expiry of the validity period of two weeks or as prescribed by the AMA/Government Specialist, as the case may be.

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

To
1. All Ministries/Departments, Government of India
2. All States/UTs Governments.
3. Rajya Sabha/Lok Sabha Secretariat
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of India
5. U.P.S.C. Dholpur House, Shahjahan road, New Delhi.
6. Deputy Secretary (Civil Service News), Department of Personnel & Training, 5th floor, Sardar Patel Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. Shri Umraomal Purohit, Secretary, Staff side, 13-C, Ferozshah road, New Delhi.
8. All Staff Side Members of National Council (JCM) (as per list attached)
10. DDG(M), Dte.GHS/CMO(SRA), Dte.GHS/M.G.-II Section, Dte. GHS, MoHFW
11. CGHS(P) Division, MOHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
12. Director, CGHS, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
13. AD(HQ), CGHS, Bikaner House, New Delhi.
14. Addl. DDG(HQ), CGHS, MOHFW, Nirman Bhawan, ND.
15. All Addl. Directors/Joint Directors of CGHS cities outside Delhi.
16. Additional Director (SZ)/(CZ)/(EZ)/(NZ), CGHS, New Delhi.
17. JD(Grievance)/JD(R & H), CGHS, Delhi.
18. Hospital Empanelment Cell, CGHS, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
19. CGHS-I/II/III/IV, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
20. Estt.I/Estt.II/Estt.III/Estt.IV Section, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan
21. Admn.I/Admn.II Section, Dte. GHS, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
22. Integrated Finance Division, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
23. PPS to Secretary (H & FW)/Secretary (AYUSH)/Secretary (HR)/Secretary (AIDS Control), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
24. PPS to DHGS/AS & DG (CGHS)/AS & FA/AS & MD, NRHM
25. Dr. D.P. Pande, ED(H)/Planning, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001
27. All Offices/Sections/Desks in the Ministry.
29. Swamy Publisher (P) Ltd., 4855, 24, Ansari Road, Daryaganj, New Delhi.
30. Sr. Technical Director, NIC, MOHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to upload this OM on the Ministry's website under the link of CS(MA) Rules.
31. Hindi Section for providing Hindi version of this OM.
32. Guard File.