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Dated: 01.12.2020

No. RSCWS/HO/CHD/Memo-Medical/12/2020-14

To,

CMS, N Railway Divisional Hospital, Ambala Cantt.: cmsambala97@gmail.com

Sub: Issue of medicines for chronic cases.

Ref: i) Our letter No. RSCWS/CHD/HC/05/09/20 dated 22.09.2020, addressed to DRM and copies to others

- ii) Railway Board letter No.2014/H/16/1/Medicine dtd 09.12.2014
- iii) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare's letter No.2 2/2014/CGHS HQ/PPT/CGHS(P) dtd 21.10.2014
- iv) Railway Board letter No. 2006/H/DC/JCM dtd 24.04.2017 on listing of chronic cases/diseases.

(For ready reference, copies of all these four letters are enclosed)

Vide letter at reference (i) above, it was requested that medicines in chronic cases should be issued for at least three months at a time.

It has since been found, vide references (ii) & (iii) above that Railway Board's instructions already exist for issuing of medicines for 03 months at a time.

Regarding criteria of enlisting chronic cases / diseases, instructions were issued vide Board's letter at reference (iv)above.

Accordingly please issue instructions to your health Units and Dispensaries for compliance accordingly.

(TS Kalra)

(retd) CEE & President/RSCWS

Encls: Copies of letters at references i), ii) , iii) & iv) above

Copies to:

DRM: <u>drm@umb.railnet.gov.in</u>, for kindly ensuring compliance of Board's instructions by the CMS

Pr CMD/HQ Office/Baroda House/New Delhi: cmd@nr.railnet.gov.in, for information and issuing of updated list of chronic cases / diseases , please.



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Dated: 22.09.2020

No. RSCWS/CHD/HC/05/09/20

To,

DRM (Medical), Ambala Divn, Ambala cantt.....drm@umb.railnet.gov.in

Sub: Issue of medicines for chronic cases to pensioner patients by Chandigarh Health Unit

For chronic cases, medicines are issued for a maximum period of one month, as per the current practice. That causes avoidable hardship to pensioner patients because they have to visit the Chandigarh Health Unit twice every month to collect their medicines; first to report to the ADMO for getting the medicines and then again to collect the medicines after those are procured in about a week's time through local purchase from Ambala. The Health Unit is located far away (15 to 20 Kms from the city) across the Chandigarh yard and is not covered by any public transport.

It would be in the interest of the patients as well as the medical department to procure and issue the medicines for at least three months at a time. This is the practice followed in CGHS.

In the CSIR Health Unit, located in the heart of the city in sector 30, medicines are issued for upto six months at a time depending upon the time assessment of the treating doctor, for the chronicity of the ailment to continue. Furthermore, CSIR has issued a list of approved chemists in the city from whom medicines can be procured, without payment, as per the prescription of the treating doctor; the approved chemists collect their payments later on from the administration.

These precedents of CGHS and CSIR are quoted here to illustrate the patient friendly attitudes of these administrations.

Railway's medical deptt can take a leaf from CGHS/CSIR practices and issue medicines for at least three months at a time or for longer periods of time, depending upon the time assessment of treating the individual senior citizen patient with chronic ailment and without any expected revision required in the prescribed medicines schedule.

Submitted please for favourable action.

Copy to CMS/ UMB......cmsambala97@gmail.com
Pr CMD, N Rly HQ office, New Delhi....cmd@nr.railnet.gov.in

Chandigarh/Mohali Dated:22.09.2020 Sd/-(T.S. Kalra), (retd) CEE & ex ADRM/UMB





GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

No.2014/H/16/1/Medicine

New Delhi, dated-09.12.2014

General Managers, All Indian Railways (Including PUs).

Sub:- Issuance of Medicines in Railway Hospitals/ Dispensaries.

Ref:- Ministry of H&FW's letter No.2-2/2014/CGHS HQ/PPT/CGHS (P) dated 21.10.2014 & 25.08.2014.

Please find enclosed herewith copy of letters cited under reference. DG/RHS has desired that same procedure may be followed in Railway Hospitals and dispensaries.

(R. S. Shukla) Deputy Director, Health Railway Board



F.No 2-2/2014/CGHS HQ/ PPT/CGHS(P) Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Department of Health & Family Welfare Nirman Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road New Delhi 110 108

Dated: the 21st October, 2014

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub- Issue of medicines / reimbursement of expenditure on investigations / treatment procedures / implants and other medical devices under CGHS- regarding

With reference to the above mentioned subject the undersigned is directed to draw attention to paragraph (c) and (d) of the Office Memorandum of even No dated the 25th August 2014 and to state that in response to the representations received from CGHS beneficiaries in this regard , it has now been decided by the competent authority to withdraw the provisions under para (c) and para (d) of the Office Memorandum No 2-2/2014/CGHS HQ/ PPT/CGHS(P) dated the 25th August , 2014 and to restore the status existing prior to the issue of above stated OM dated the 25th August , 2014.

In other words medicines under CGHS can be issued for up to 3 months at a time in chronic diseases on the basis of a valid prescription and for up to 6 months for those beneficiaries who are going abroad, as was the case prior to issue of OM dated 25.8.2014.

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Under Secretary to Government of India

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- 3. Addl.DDG(HQ), CGHS, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4. AD(HQ), CGHS, R.K.Puram, Sector-12, New Delhi
- 5. All Addl. Directors/Joint Directors of CGHS cities outside Delhi
- 6. Additional Director (SZ)/(CZ)/(EZ)/(NZ)/(MSD), MCTC CGHS, New Delhi
- 7. JD(HQ), JD (Grievance)/JD (R&H), CGHS, Delhi
- 8. DDG(M) /CMO(SRA), Dte.GHS, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
- 9. Rajya Sabha/Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
- 10. Registrar, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi
- 11. U.P.S.C. Dholpur House, New Delhi
- 12. Office of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi
- 13. Director, Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market. New Delhi
- 14.PPS to Secretary (H&FW)/Secretary (AYUSH)/Secretary (HR)/Secretary (AIDS Control), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
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- 27 ED(H)/Planning, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi 110001
- 28. Central Organisation, ECHS, Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence, New Delhi
- 29. Chairman, Employees State Insurance Corporation, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Panchdeep Bhawan, C.I.G. Marg, New Delhi-110002
- 30. UTI-ITSL, 153/1, First Floor, Old Madras Road, Ulsoor, Bengaluru-560008.
- 31. Swamy Publishers (P) Ltd., P.B. No.2468, R.K. Puram, Chennai-600028
- 32. Swamy Publishers (P) Ltd., 4855, 24, Ansari Road, Daryagani, New Delhi
- 33. Sr. Technical Director, NIC, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to upoad this OM on the Ministry's website under the link of CS (MA) Rules OMs and Circulars
- 34. Hindi Section, MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi for providing Hindi version of this OM.
- 35. Guard file



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (भारत सरकार) MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (रेल मंत्रालय) RAILWAY BOARD (रेल बोर्ड)

No. 2006/H/DC/JCM

New Delhi, dated: 24.04.2017

Chief Medical Director Northeast Frontier Railway, Guwahati.

Sub: List of chronic diseases in relation of Fixed Medical Allowance @ ₹ 100/-

granted to Railway Pensioners-Reg.

Ref: NFR's letter no. E/301/1/PNM/MU(C)/126 (Loose) dated 27.03.2017.

Kind attention is invited to the Board's letter No. of even number dated 12.10.06 wherein chronic disease has been defined as any disease which persists for a period of approximately three months or more. Some examples have also been mentioned viz., arthritis and related conditions, cardiovascular disease, cancer of any part of body, diabetes mellitus, epilepsy disorders, obesity/chronic weight loss, tuberculosis, AIDS, oral health problem, chronic skin disorders, etc. However, the list of disease is not exhaustive but an indicative only.

After careful consideration in the matter Director General (RHS) has directed that the zonal medical authority should decide whether a disease is chronic or otherwise, and act accordingly.

(R.S.Shukla) (आर. एस. शुक्ल) स्थाप

Joint Director, Health (सं. नि./स्वा.)

Railway Board (रेलवे बोर्ड)

Copy for information & similar action to:-

(i) CMDs/All Indian Railways.

(ii) CMOs/All PUs & RDSO.

(iii) Sr. Professor/NIAR/Vadodara.



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भारत सरकार/GOVERNMENT OF INDIA रेल मंत्रालय/MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS रेलवे बोर्ड/(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.2014/H/16/1/Medicine

400 NOC-1

New Delhi, dated 09.12.14

General Managers, All Indian Railways (Including Pus).

Sub: Issue of medicines.

A number of suggestions have been received in Board from the end user of our health service. Based on it, Board has decided that

- For Chronic diseases (e.g. Hypertension, Diabetes etc) medicines to be issued for three months from Railway hospital / health unit subject to condition that the treating doctor feels that change of medicine is not required in next three months.
- For those who are going abroad then the medicine may be issued for a appropriate period exceeding three months on request with approval of hospital/dispensary In-charge.
- Doctors should also follow good prescription habits they should prescribe in pharmaceutical/ generic name to avoid any confusion.

For implementing the same if more financial power / local imprest is required same to be given to Chief Medical Directors/ Medical Directors/ Sr. DMOs who are Incharge of Hospital/ Dispensary with the concurrence of Zonal finance.

(Dr. S. K. Sabharwal)

Executive Director, Health (G)
Railway Board