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AMENDMENT: ISSUE OF MEDICINES FOR LONGER DURATION (90 DAYS) PARA 18 (q) OF SOP ON MEDICINE MANAGEMENT DT 05 SEP 2017

- 1. PI ref to the Para 18 (q) of SOP on Medicine Management dt 05 Sep 2017.
- 2. The existing Para 18 (q) of the SOP on Medicine Management is reconstituted and amended to read as under:-

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Para 18 (q): Issue of Medicines for Longer Duration.

- (i) ECHS beneficiary proceeding to a foreign country for three months or more from the date of leaving India will be entitled to receive medicines for a duration of his stay in foreign country or six months whichever is less. Visa/air tickets will be checked and OIC Polyclinic will satisfy himself. NDD (Next Due Date) will be correctly recorded.
- (ii) In case of Bed ridden patients as well as chronic cases as given above subject to endorsement of medical officer/specialist of Polyclinic that "No review required for 90 days", the beneficiaries will entitled for receiving medicines for a maximum duration of three months (90 days).
- (iii) Patients from Hilly region/difficult areas where commuting is difficult viz Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, North East regions and other difficult areas will be entitled to receive medicines for a maximum duration of three months (90 days).
- (iv) While issuing the medicines for longer duration as mentioned above, following will be ensured:-
 - (aa) Medicines will only be given if issue does not affect other patients adversely which will be at the discretion of OIC Polyclinic keeping stock position of medical stores in mind.
 - (ab) Medicines procured out of local purchase powers of OIC Poyclinic or from Authorised Local Chemist will not be issued for three months.

- (ac) It will be mandatory for the patient to be reviewed by the doctor for regulation of doses of medicines after three months or on return from foreign country.
- (v) Doctors of Polyclinic will be accountable for the prescriptions being written.
- 3. The above reconstituted para be replaced in the said SOP.
- 4. This has the approval of MD ECHS.
- 5. You are requested to disseminate the contents of this letter to all PCs under your AOR.

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