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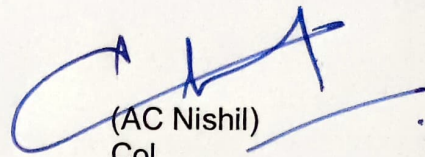
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ADVISORY FOR TREATMENT AT NON EMPANELLED HOSPITAL

1. Please refer to following:-
 - (a) Para 16 & 18 (a) of SOP on Treatment Management dated 28 Sep 2018.
 - (b) CO ECHS Letter No. B/49770/AG/ECHS dated 05 Oct 2018.
 - (c) CO ECHS letter No. B/49770/AG/ECHS/Prior/Policy/2023 dated 08 Feb 2023.
2. It is intimated that treatment at Non Emp Hospital is allowed only under emergency conditions as per para 16 of SOP on Treatment Management dated 28 Sep 2018. If any veteran desires to take treatment in non emp hospital as per Para 18 (a) of SOP on Treatment Management dated 28 Sep 2018 he may do so after permission of MD ECHS/Dir RC ECHS.
3. It is observed that there is increasing tendency of ECHS beneficiaries resorting to treatment at Non Emp Hosp at their own will without prior sanction which is against the laid down ECHS guidelines and interest of ECHS beneficiaries at large. Non empanelled hospitals have tendency of inflating the bills. The bills are reimbursed for genuine emergencies only but at Non NABH CGHS rates only.
4. If beneficiary is planning treatment at non empanelled hospital for any planned treatment then prior sanction from concerned Regional Centre is mandatory. There are few categories of ailments for which permission from CO ECHS is required and some cases may involve unlisted implants, procedure or investigation requiring SEMO's permission.
5. Treatment at non empanelled hosp, without prior approval in case of non-emergency, should invariably be avoided by beneficiaries. OIC and MOs at PC may please be advised to spread this awareness amongst beneficiaries.

6. For your info and strict compliance please.



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PRIOR SANCTION FOR TREATMENT IN NON EMP HOSP

1. Please refer CO ECHS letter No B/49770/AG/ECHS dated 05 Oct 2018 and Para 18 (a) of SOP on Treatment Management in ECHS.
2. The mandatory documents required for processing the case for Prior Sanction for treatment in Non Emp Hosp as per mentioned below:-
 - (a) Copy of ECHS Card.
 - (b) Personal application of ECHS beneficiary.
 - (c) Estimated cost of treatment from Non Emp Emp hosp where ESM wants to take treatment.
 - (d) Undertaking for acceptance of CGHS rates from ECHS beneficiary
 - (e) Statement of Case alongwith proper justification of advance sanction.
 - (f) Other relevant documents.
 - (g) Revised Proforma as per CO ECHS letter No B/49770/AG/ECHS dated 20 Oct 2020.
3. For your info and further necessary action please.


(Sri Kant Kumar)
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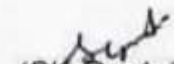
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ADVISORY: PRIOR SANCTION FOR TREATMENT IN NON EMP HOSP

1. PI ref Para 18 of CO ECHS SOP on Treatment Management dated 28 Sep 2018 (available on echs.gov.in).
2. Prior sanction of MD ECHS is accorded for planned procedures given at Para 18 (a) of ibid SOP at Non-Empanelled Hospitals. It takes around 15 to 20 working days to get this sanction from the concerned Spl of AFMS Hosp. Hence all the veterans should be advised to submit their application for prior sanction of MD ECHS giving a clear window of 20 working days before getting any planned treatment at Non-Empanelled Hospital.
3. In case of emergency, veterans must obtain a certificate from the treating physician / surgeon of Non-Empanelled Hospital justifying that emergency treatment is the final recourse as a life saving measure.
4. It is requested to disseminate the contents of this letter to all PCs under your AOR and to the veterans by various measures like displaying on Notice Boards, Whatsapp, SMS, broadcast messages and other available means.
5. This has the approval of MD ECHS.


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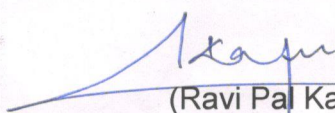
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PRIOR SANCTION FOR TREATMENT IN NON EMP HOSP

- 1 Ref Para 18(a) of SOP on treatment Management in ECHS.
2. All prior sanctions for treatment in **Non Empanelled Hospitals** will be accorded by Dir RC except in the following cases:-
 - (a) Major cardiac surgery/ interventional cardiology.
 - (b) Oncology.
 - (c) Organ transplant cases.
 - (d) Joint Replacement cases.
 - (e) Major Neurosurgical / Neurology cases.
 - (f) Bariatric surgery cases.
3. Format of prior sanction by Dir RC ECHS will be same as is being followed by CO ECHS.
- 4 Bills will be reimbursed at CGHS Rates only. No representation will be accepted for full reimbursement in such cases.
5. No TA is admissible in such cases.
6. Cases already received and dispatched by 10 Oct 18 will be processed by Central Org ECHS Org ECHS.


(Ravi Pal Kapoor)
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