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To

Shri S Gopalakrishnan,
Special Secretary & Director General,
Central Government Health Scheme,
New Delhi.

Sub: Suggestions for providing accessible medical care for CGHS beneficiaries residing in non-CGHS areas.

Sir,

We would like to draw your kind attention to the fact that a huge number of BSNL retirees have migrated to CGHS in the recent past, including those residing in non-CGHS areas. Though the option for availing Fixed Medical Allowance is available to the CGHS beneficiaries residing in non-CGHS areas, they are still in a fix when indoor treatment becomes unavoidable. Many of them would opt for outdoor treatment in lieu of FMA, in CGHS approved hospitals. We therefore place the following suggestions for your consideration:

1. A plan may be drawn up and implemented for opening CGHS wellness centres atleast one in every District Headquarters, although this will be a long-drawn process.
2. The CGHS beneficiaries residing in non-CGHS areas may be permitted to avail medical care, both indoor as well as outdoor, in all the hospitals approved under CS (MA) Rules.
3. BSNL has empanelled hospitals everywhere, both on credit and payment basis in almost all parts of the country. CGHS beneficiaries may be allowed to have treatment in all the BSNL empanelled hospitals. The mechanism for MoA with these hospitals may be worked out. As BSNL pensioners drawing pension from Central

Civil Estimates are allowed to join CGHS, BSNL has been assisting its retired employees to migrate to CGHS in huge numbers. BSNL empanelled hospitals are also providing the treatment under CGHS rates and therefore there should be no difficulty in this regard. Ward entitlement of CGHS beneficiaries thus allowed treatment in BSNL empanelled hospitals shall be as per CGHS guidelines. All claims for treatment in these hospitals may be routed through CGHS wellness centres.

4. The present arrangement of availing Consultation from Specialists/ Investigations / treatment procedures from any Government Hospital (Centre/State) shall continue.

2. We request you to kindly bestow your personal attention to the above suggestions, get them examined and cause issue of appropriate orders at the earliest, so as to ease the problems faced by the CGHS beneficiaries residing in non-CGHS areas.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



(R.R.Balasubramanian)
General Secretary

Encl: As above

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