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All the Chief Medical Officers,
Himachal Pradesh

Dated Shimla-9, the 26th October 2019

Subject- Guidelines to empanel radiologist from private sector for conducting ultrasound on pregnant women under JSSK

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that the Govt is implementing the programme of JSSK which has provision of free entitlements to pregnant women and infants for drugs, diagnostics, transport, food etc. The programme's objective is to promote institutional deliveries by reducing Out of Pocket Expenditure (OOPE).

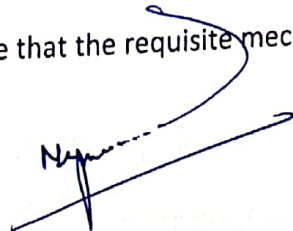
However, it has been observed that the patients are still incurring (OOPE). One of the domains where OOPE is being incurred is on diagnostics and specifically for conducting USG. This is mainly due to unavailability of Radiologist in public health institutions or because of overload on the existing Radiologist.

Keeping this in view, it has been decided that Radiologist may be engaged from the private sector to conduct USG on pregnant women under JSSK as per the following guidelines:

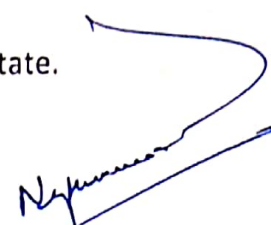
1. It may be ensured that the empanelled radiologist is fully qualified as per the existing laid down rules and regulations. The clinic of the Radiologist should be either empanelled under AB-PMJAY/HIMCARE or under the state Government Medical Reimbursement policy.
2. The Radiologist may be given a remuneration of Rs 200 per ultrasound.
3. It may be ensured that the services of the empanelled Radiologist are availed only if no Radiologist is posted in the Public health institutions/the Radiologist is on leave/there is no Ultrasound machine in the hospital/the posted Radiologist has a load of more than 50 USG per day.
4. More than one Radiologist may be empanelled per health institution so that the beneficiary has a wider choice.
5. Mechanism should be put in place that the beneficiary does not pay anything to the radiologist and the RKS of the health institution would reimburse the cost to the radiologist on a monthly basis and recoup the amount from JSSK.
6. A requisition slip may be issued to the patient by the treating doctor who is duly authorized by the CMO or the MS.

These guidelines come into force with immediate effect.

I, sincerely hope that you would ensure that the requisite mechanism is



put in such a way that no pregnant woman incurs OOPE on.USG in the state.


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Endst.No. As above

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1. The Additional Chief Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for information please.
2. The Director Health Services, Himachal Pradesh for information please.
3. The Medical Superintendents, RH Bilaspur, RH Chamba, RH Hamirpur, ZH Dharamshala, RH Kullu, ZH Mandi, ZH Shimla, RH Sirmaur, RH Solan and RH Una for information please.
4. The Joint Controller (F&A), National Health Mission for information please.

5. The Consultant, HMIS with the request to upload the guidelines on nhm website under Maternal Health.


26/10/19.
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