

## **DENTAL SERVICES AT ECHS POLYCLINICS**

1. Ref :-

(a) B/49773/AG/ECHS/Dental dated 07 Jun 10.

(b) B/49773/AG/ECHS/Dental dated 28 Oct 10.

2. Dental care for ECHS members especially in higher age bracket assumes great importance. It is therefore essential to upgrade and maintain the Dental Care Section of the ECHS Polyclinics at the level of Military Dental Centres (MDC). Guidelines for the same for implementation by Stn Cdrs are given in succeeding Paras.

3. **Accommodation** :-

(a) Where Polyclinics buildings have been constructed, the dental surgery room would require modification to enhance dimensions as per standard MES design for surgery room of MDCs. Water supply pipes, electric points and storage space be accordingly planned.

(b) Where Polyclinic buildings are yet to be constructed, separate waiting area and dental surgery rooms be planned. Existing design may be suitably modified.

(c) Funds would be made available for the upgradation.

4. **Staff**. Considering the importance of dental surgery only technically competent staff be selected for ECHS. Since the availability of competent dental officers/staff is greater than demand, selection of only the best needs to be ensured. Competency of the dentists in performing dental surgeries should be the critical selection criteria. Incompetent ex-servicemen are not to be selected on basis of reservation.

5. **Ambience**. Ambience of waiting area and surgery rooms is essential to comfort the patient. Stn Cdr should ensure working towards the objective to have same ambience in the dental section of the ECHS Polyclinic as obtaining in MDC. Resources for this purpose would be provided by Stn/Comd/Service/Govt.

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