

ECHS REFERRAL TO SERVICE HOSPITAL

1. An incidence has occurred recently where-in an ECHS beneficiary was referred by OIC of a polyclinic in NCR to Army Hospital (R&R) in moribund condition. The ICU of the hospital did not have any vacant bed at that point of time, leading to great inconvenience to the patient and her family.
2. The above incidence was avoidable, had OIC of the polyclinic ascertained bed availability from the Service Hospital prior to transferring the patient.
3. You are requested to issue suitable instructions so that all polyclinics maintain an updated status of availability of beds/facilities in the Service Hospitals on which they are dependent. Referral to Service Hospital be made only for specialties/facilities available at that point of time. In this connection, attention of all concerned may please be drawn to this HQ letter of even reference dated 08 Jun 07.

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Dir (Med)
For MD

Copy to :

All Regional Centers : For information and necessary action please.

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