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All Regional Centres



MEDICAL FACILITIES FOR IN-PATIENT TREATMENT AND POST OPERATIVE FOLLOW-UP TREATMENT TO ECHS BENEFICIARIES

1. Refer to MoD/DoESW letter No. 22 D(09)/2013/US(WE)/D(Res) dated 26 Jul 2016 and CO ECHS letter No.B/49770/AG/ECHS/Policy/2016 dated 31 Aug 2016.
2. It has been observed that with the appointment of new staff a number of application for availing treatment at Govt and Regional Cancer Centers are being forwarded to Central Org ECHS. It is directed that all newly appointed staff should be made conversant with the existing orders on availing Medical treatment at Govt hospitals and RCCs and as given in above letters. Important aspects are reiterated in succeeding paras.
3. All Govt (Central /States/Local Self Govt.) hospitals and Regional Cancer Centres) are considered to be deemed empanelled. All beneficiaries can avail treatment at these hospitals without referral from Polyclinics except for specified cases as given in paragraph below.
4. It is once again reiterated that ECHS beneficiaries holding a valid ECHS card shall be eligible to obtain treatment from Govt (Central /State/Local Self Govt) hospitals and Regional Cancer Centers (List of RCC attached as Appx) with a referral from ECHS PC for the specified treatment in case of :-
 - (a) Organ transplant surgery
 - (b) Knee and Hip joint replacement
 - (c) Neurosurgery
 - (d) Cardiac Surgery
 - (e) Cancer Treatment
5. Such treatment will be availed on cash payment basis unless the hospital is empanelled with ECHS and beneficiaries may claim individual treatment reimbursement as per existing orders.
6. CGHS package rates are not applicable for treatment at these hospitals. Expenditure incurred on account of this treatment of ECHS beneficiaries at these hospitals are reimbursable as per rates of respective hosp according to the ward entitlements except for the items for which ceiling rates are prescribed under ECHS (like IOL, Knee, Joint replacement , Cardiac implants etc). In case of expenditure more than ceiling rates and/or ward entitlements the ECHS beneficiaries will have to pay the difference of the amount from own resource and is not reimbursable. For unlisted implants, ECHS beneficiaries are advised to obtain prior approval of competent authority.
7. OPD medicine would be obtained from the ECHS PC and no re-imburement is permissible.

8. For info and further dissemination to PCs.

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