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To

All Superintendents of AB PM-JAY-KASP Empanelled Hospitals

Sub: SHA –KASP-PMJAYScheme – Inclusion of Covid-19 Testing and Treatment in the scheme – reg.

Ref: 1.SHA circular no. 34/2019/SHA/KASP dated 04/05/2020

2. GO on Revised Guideline on COVID-19 Testing and Quarantine/Isolation No/31/F2/2020/Health dated 03/06/2020

3. G.O.Rt No.1235/2020/H&FWD Dated 02/07/2020

4.G.O.Rt No.1236/2020/H&FWD Dated 02/07/2020

5.SHA circular no. 96/2020/HNQA/SHA/dated 13/07/2020

6.G.O.Rt No.1403/2020/H&FWD Dated 31/07/2020

7.G.O.Rt No.1246/2020/H&FWD Dated 06/07/2020

Kind attention to the references cited.

It is observed that the Empaneled hospitals under the AB PM-JAY-KASP need clarifications regarding the COVID-19Testing and Treatment. The guidelines regarding the same are given below for a standardised documentation in the claim management. It is noticed that only very few hospitals have actually claimed the package even with the rising number of admissions recently.

- Any Patient can go and avail health services for both Covid and Non Covid either in Government Hospitals or in Private Hospitals.
- There are no restrictions put in by the Government on the private hospitals regarding providing or not providing Covid treatment.
- Under KarunyaArogyaSurakshaPadhati (KASP) the Government will bear all the expenses of Covid treatment of eligible beneficiaries.

- If a non KASP patient desires to go to the private hospitals, they may do so by contacting with the respective private hospitals and bear the expenses as per the rates of the hospitals. If non KASP patient having CovidKavach / CovidRaksha health care coverage, they may avail the health services from the empanelled hospitals of the respective insurance providers.

COVID testing throughEmpaneled Health Care Providers (EHCP) under AB PM-JAY-KASP

The EHCP can perform the following diagnostic tests adhering to ICMR norms. The package code for Covid testing is **ID002A** and type of test can be selected in stratification of the package. The following tests are available in TMS.

1. RTPCR (Open System)Test
2. Xpert NAT Test
3. True NAT

Setting up all these testing facilities requires approval from the state which is a simple process (Write to covidpsnodedme@gmail.com or covpsnodnat@gmail.com for permissions)

- Laboratories/hospitals need to follow state guidelines and ICMR guidelines
- The Covid-19 tests for the beneficiaries can be carried out in the existing public facilities which can be claimed under the scheme. If public facilities are not available, testing can be arranged in the private facilities for which the Government will bear the expense.
- As per the revised guideline on COVID-19 issued by H&FW, Government of Kerala, it is mandated to test for COVID-19 for all the patients posted for elective surgeries. The EHCP can block COVID Test packages as an ADD ON to elective surgery packages.

Diagnostic tests	Price(INR)
RTPCR (Open System)Test	2750
Xpert-NAT Test	3000
TRUE NAT Test Step 1	1500
TRUE NAT Test Step 2(Only for those tested positive in Step 1)	1500

COVID Treatment through EHCP

- This facility will be applicable in Government Hospitals for Covid-19 management (Rs. / day) under the ABPM-JAY-KASP and for Government referred patients in Private Empanelled Hospitals under KASP.

- In view of the Covid-19 pandemic, National Health Authority and the State Government have incorporated certain treatment packages in the current transaction system whereby the AB PM-JAY-KASP beneficiaries and Government referred patients can avail free treatment for Covid-19 in all the Empanelled Private Hospitals.

- In addition to the selected 6 packages, the hospitals can claim the cost of PPEs used and isolation charges for the treatment of beneficiaries through the system under the package named PPE which is an add on package.

PACKAGES

1. Acute Febrile Illness for COVID 19 Treatment

2. Pyrexia of Unknown Origin for COVID 19 Treatment

3. Pneumonia for COVID 19 Treatment

4. Severe Pneumonia for COVID 19 Treatment

5. Respiratory failure due to any cause for COVID 19 Treatment

6. Type 1 / 2 Respiratory failure for COVID 19 Treatment

PACKAGE	RATES
PPEs (Max Rs. 1 lakh per case)	Rs. 1000/unit

General ward	Rs. 2300
HDU	Rs. 3300
ICU without ventilator	Rs. 6500
ICU with ventilator	Rs. 11,500

Rational use of PPE

The government has put up guidelines to manage the use of PPE, maintaining optimum use as well as to reduce the wastage of this essential material especially during this pandemic. The advisory of the government regarding rational usage of personal protective equipment is added as reference. The detailed version of the advisory is available in this link http://dhs.kerala.gov.in/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/ppe_260320202.pdf. Please review Reference 11

All Superintendents are requested to raise the claims for the COVID-19 cases in their respective hospitals. Claim adjudication will be as per the documents provided by the hospitals.

Yours faithfully,

Executive Director

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