



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health and Family Welfare Department - Implementation of Arogya Kiranam Scheme - Entrusting State Health Agency to implement Arogya Kiranam Scheme - Orders issued

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (M)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.2619/2022/H&FWD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01-11-2022

- Read 1. GO(Rt) No.317/2022/H&FWD dated 09.02.2022.
 - 2. Proposal dated 12/05/2022 on Convergence of Health Related Welfare Schemes submitted by State Health Agency
 - 3. Letter No. 264/2022/SSD/SPB dated 18.06.2022 from Member Secretary, State Planning Board

ORDER

1. Arogya Kiranam is one of the flagship health programmes of the Government of Kerala. The programme provides free treatment and related medical services to all patients from birth to 18 years, as an entitlement. Arogyakiranam is a state scheme under which the State bears the treatment expenses. This benefit is applicable to all children irrespective of whether the patients belong to BPL or APL categories (excluding dependents of government servants /income taxpayers). Currently, the scheme is operated through Director of Health Services (DHS), Kerala and implemented through National Health Mission, Kerala and covers OP expenses as well as IP services through Government hospitals.

2) As per Government Order read as 1st paper above, a Technical Committee was constituted with Director, Malabar Cancer Centre, Kannur as Chairperson to formulate general criteria for sanctioning financial assistance under the Arogya Kiranam scheme. Report furnished by the Technical Committee is under the consideration of Government.

- 3. In the annual Plan 2022-23, it was declared that Arogya Kiranam Scheme will be implemented through the State Health Agency during 2022-23 and an amount of Rs. 22 crores is earmarked in the budget for the current financial year for implementing the scheme.
- 3. The State Health Agency, as per the proposal read as 2nd paper above, has reported that SHA can implement the Arogya Kiranam scheme through their TMS platform.
- 4. State Planning Board, as per the letter read as 3rd paper above, has informed that Arogya Kiranam shall be implemented through SHA during 2022-23. Budget 2022-23 has been approved accordingly.
- 5. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord sanction to State Health Agency to implement the Arogya Kiranam scheme from the current financial year on wards. Beneficiary selection will be as per the existing Arogyakiranam guidelines. Treatment cost reimbursement to hospitals shall be as per current SHA guidelines till the new guidelines are finalized.

(By order of the Governor)
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Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.

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