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(Department of Health & Family Welfare)

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Proceedings of the Second Meeting of Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust held on 5th May 2011 in the Conference Hall of the Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust, Bangalore.

Members Present:

1) Secretary to Govt, Health & Family Welfare Department, Bangalore & Chairman.

2) Executive Director, SAST Trustee, & Member Secretary.

3) Mission Director NRHM & Project Administrator, KHSDRP, Bangalore & Trustee.

4) Principal Secretary to Govt. Finance Department, Bangalore, Trustee (Represented by Under Secretary)

5) Secretary to Govt. Co-op Department, Bangalore, Trustee, (Represented by C.E.O. Yeshasvini Trust)

6) Principal Secretary to Govt. Medical Education Department, Bangalore, Trustee (Representative)

7) Director Health & Family Welfare Department, Bangalore, Trustee.

8) Director, Medical Education, Department, Bangalore, Trustee.

9) Director, Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, Trustee.

10) Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty, Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Narayana Hrudayalaya, Bangalore, Trustee.

11) Dr.H.Sudharshan, Karuna Trust, Bangalore, Trustee.

Special Invitees:

1) Chief Finance Officer, SAST, Bangalore.

2) Joint Director, SAST, Bangalore.

3) Sri.Sanjay, PWC Consultant, Bangalore.

4) Sri.Rajendra, Finance Consultant Badari Madhusudhan & Srinivasa Chartered Accountant.

Members who could not attend:

1) Secretary to Govt. Labour Department. Bangalore, Trustee.

2) Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare Department, Bangalore, Trustee.

3) Director, Nimhans, Bangalore, Trustee.

- 4) Director, Jayadeva Institute of Cardiology, Bangalore, Trustee.
- 5) Sri.K.V.Raju, Advisor to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Bangalore, Trustee.
- 6) Sri. Mohan Das Pai, Infosys, Bangalore, Trustee.

Secretary to Govt. Health & Family Welfare Department & Chairman of the Trust welcomed all the members of the Trust for the meeting.

Thereafter, subjects as per Agenda were taken up for discussion

1. Confirmation of the Proceedings of the 1st Meeting of the Trust held on 29th May 2009:

The proceeding of the 1st meeting of the Trust held on 29.05.2009 was confirmed.

2. Review of the action taken on the proceedings of the last meeting:

The Executive Director gave presentation about the action taken on each decision of the last meeting. The members expressed satisfaction about the action taken

Some of the members of the committee opined that there is need for increase in the tariff of certain procedures. There is also need to include some more procedures to the existing list of procedures. For example Radio Active Iodine Therapy & Thyroidectomy for following cancer thyroid etc.

In this connection, it was brought to the notice of the members by Executive Director that, separate committees are formulated to look into these aspects specialitywise & action will be taken after receipt of their reports.

The members stressed for insisting for establishment of KIOSK by all the Network Hospitals.

While discussing about the involvement of Govt. institutions in the implementation of the Scheme it was observed that, participation of other? hospitals except Kidwai & Jayadeva is not satisfactory. Profit sharing model to be considered by the Superintendent of Govt. institutions as a drive towards motivation and better service delivery. Tool for ensuring

3. Vajpayee Arogyashree Scheme:

The Executive Director gave detail presentation covering objectives of the Scheme, area covered, beneficiaries identified, diseases covered, the role of Implementation Support Agency & Network Hospitals etc.

4. Progress achieved in the implementation of the Scheme:

The Executive Director gave detail presentation about the progress achieved covering

appointment of ISA, constitution of EDC, finalization of criteria for empanelment of Network Hospitals, finalization of procedures & fixation of tariff for each procedure & follow up procedure, appointment of Arogyamitras, holding of District level Mega Health Check up camps, issue of preauthorization, settlement of bills of Network Hospitals, action taken against Network Hospitals involved in irregularities, conduct of internal Audit of Network Hospitals & the beneficiaries, measures taken for creation of awareness about the Scheme through publicity steps etc.

Executive Director brought to the notice of the Trustees that, in 40% of the preauth proposals received preauths are issued within 24 hours. This was appreciated by the Trustees & also expressed that, it may be still improved after the installation of IT platform.

He also presented analysis of the cases reported under each speciality.

Reacting to the analysis of high utilization by cardiac cases both in terms of number & amount, Dr.Devi Shetty expressed that, the present disease pattern is such that, nearly 40% of the inpatients in any hospital are cardiac followed by cancer. Due to the high prevalence of RHD in lower Socio economic groups & the benefit given to them is a boon as otherwise the patients would not have afforded for the treatment etc.

Reacting about cancer cases Dr.Sudharshan suggested to take measures for early detection of cancer patients for good prognosis & survival.

It was also suggested by Dr. Vjayakumar, Director, Kidwai to involve ASHA's, Junior Health Assistants male & female & train them in identifying the cancer patients for early detection. He suggested the Chairman to provide incentive for them for referral of early detection of cases.

Discussing about Polytrauma speciality Dr.Devi Shetty wanted to know as to why the number of cases reported under the speciality is so low.

Reacting to the same, the Executive Director stated that, only NON- MLC cases are considered under VAS.

After detailed discussions it was decided to discuss with insurance companies to examine the possibilities of avoiding dual payment in polytrauma cases under VAS, if possible to enter into MOU with the insurance companies.

The members expressed satisfaction about the progress achieved & appreciated the action taken in this regard.

5. Consideration of proceedings of 9 EC meetings held on different dates:

The Executive Director briefed the members of the Trust regarding decisions taken in the 9 EC meetings held on different dates.

The decisions taken in the EC meetings were considered & recorded.

6. Consideration of proceedings of 13 EDC meetings held on different dates:

The Executive Director briefed the members of the Trust regarding decisions taken in the 13 EDC meetings held on different dates.

The decisions taken in the EDC meetings were considered & recorded.

7. Irregularities in Network Hospitals and action taken:

The Executive Director briefed the members about the irregularities noticed in

- 1) Patil Nursing Home, Gulbarga &
- 2) Shree Hospital, Bidar.

The Committee noted the irregularities & the action taken against the hospitals were ratified.

8. Consideration of Audit report for the year ending on 31.03.2010:

The Chartered Accountant presented the Audit Report of the Trust for the year 2009-10 before the members. The Audit report was considered & recorded.

9. Finalization of Tender for Belgaum Division:

The Executive Director appraised the members about the Tender applications received, scrutiny of applications, technical evaluation & resolution of the Tender Accepting Authority. According to which the M/S Family Health Plan (TPA) Ltd being L1 is the preferred bidder. The company had quoted Rs.6.93 Crores. However, the Tender Accepting Authority negotiated with them & brought the price bid down to Rs.6.70 crore etc.

In view of the above, it was decided to accept the recommendations of the Tender Accepting Authority & to appoint M/S Family Health Plan (TPA) Ltd as Implementation Support Agency for Belgaum Division.

It was decided to issue Letter Of Award to the company & enter into agreement with the company. The Executive Director was authorized to take further action in the matter & sign the agreement on behalf of the Trust.

10. Issues relating to BPL Cards:

The Executive Director presented about the problems faced with regard to BPL Cards. The permanent BPL Cards, Temporary BPL cards & objections raised in respect of them while processing preauth proposals received by the Trust.

It was decided to request Food & Civil Supplies Department to issue permanent BPL cards early, so as to overcome the problems faced by the Trust.

11. Any other subjects with the permission of the Chair.

a) Finalization of Tender for selection of Service provider for IT Solution:

The Executive Director stated that, for design, testing, installation & maintenance of IT solution Tender was published on the unified, procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka. 3 firms submitted the bid. After the technical evaluation all the 3 firms were considered qualified. Financial bids were opened HCL info systems limited quoted Rs. 5, 93, 93, 327.77 inclusive of insurance cost. HCL being the lowest bidder was considered preferred bidder by the tender accepting authority.

It was decided to accept the recommendations of the Tender Accepting Authority & to issue Letter Of Award to HCL info systems. The Executive Director was authorized to take further action in the matter & enter into agreement with the company & sign the documents on behalf of the Trust.

b) Appointment of Consultants for monitoring the Health Camps:

The Executive Director briefed the committee about the problems faced in monitoring the activities of the Trust in 2 divisions namely, Gulbarga & Belgaum. He stated that, in order to monitor the activities of the Scheme particularly Health Camps effectively there is needed to appoint a consultant per division. He briefed the committee about the roles of the consultants & applications received for appointment.

After detailed discussions it was decided to appoint one consultant for each division & accept the job description provided in the notes which is as follows:

- 1) To assist the Executive Director in managing the activities in the concerned Division.
- 2) To monitor the VAS health camps conducted to the people in designed areas who lack access to such services on various grounds.
- 3) To monitor the activities of all the empanelled Network Hospitals of the concerned districts.
- 4) To monitor the activities of VAMCO.
- 5) To monitor the activities of VAMCCO.
- 6) To monitor the roles & responsibilities of DHO & THO.
- 7) To monitor the activities of District Co-Coordinators.
- 8) To monitor the activities of Arogyanitras.

It is decided to appoint the following consultants to the divisions mentioned below

- 1) Dr.Panduranga Pujari, Gulbarga Division.
- 2) Dr.V.D.Dhange, Belgaum Division,
 It was also decided to pay consultation pay of Rs.50, 000/- per month & vehicle to be provided.

The Chairman provided closing remarks.

The Executive Director thanked the Chairman & the members of the committee for their active participation in the meeting.

Meeting concluded with thanks by the Chair.

Chairman 9/6/11