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Proceedings of the 27th Empanelment and Disciplinary
Committee Meeting of Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust held on
17th February 2014 at 11.00 AM in the Conference Hall of
Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust, Bangalore

Members Present:

1) Dr. Sudarshan H. Secretary, Karuna Trust, Bangalore- Chairman.
2) Dr. S.C. Mohanty, Director, Medical Management & Member Secretary EDC,
   SAST, Bangalore.
3) The Director, State Institute of Health & Family Welfare, Magadi Road,
   Bangalore.
4) The Executive Director, SHRC, Magadi Road, Bangalore.
5) The Deputy Director (Medical), DoH & FWS, Bangalore.
6) Sri. S.R. Naik, Project Head, M/s. Apollo Health Resources Limited,
   Bangalore.

Others Present:

1) Dr. P. Boregowda, Executive Director, SAST, Bangalore.
2) Dr. Narayanaswamy, Dy. Director, SAST, Bangalore.
3) Dr. Anitha, Dy. Director, SAST, Bangalore.
4) Dr. Kavitha, Dy. Director, SAST, Bangalore.
5) Dr. Jayaram T.R., Regional Consultant, Mysore Division, Mysore.
6) Sri. H.S. Sharath, IT Consultant, SAST.
7) Sri. Suresh Wesley, M&V Consultant, SAST.
8) Sri. Praveen, IEC Consultant, SAST.
9) Dr. Shwetha, Quality Assurance Officer, SAST, Bangalore.

The Director (Medical Management), Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust
welcomed the Chairman, all Members and invitees. Dr. Jayaram T.R., newly
appointed Regional Consultant, Mysore was introduced to the Committee.
Thereafter, subjects as per the agenda were taken up for discussion.
Sub No. 27.1

**Confirmation of the Proceedings of 26th EDC meeting held on 26.11.2014.**

The Committee confirmed the proceedings of 26th EDC meeting held on 26.11.2014.

Sub No. 27.2

**Review of action taken on the Proceedings of the 26th meeting held on 26.11.2014.**

While reviewing the action taken report on the proceedings of 26th EDC, the Committee discussed the status of Sathagiri Hospital, Bangalore. The Executive Director brought to the notice of the Committee that the hospital was suspended for 6 months w.e.f. 25.09.2013 for the following irregularities.

1) Un-authorised health camps.
2) Submission of pre-auths in the name of Dr. Hanumantharaju, Urologist who has resigned.

**After detailed discussions, the Committee felt that even though the VAS norms were deviated but did not harm the services to the beneficiaries. Hence decided to revoke the suspension order, release all pending payments after taking an undertaking from hospital stating “the irregularities will not be repeated”.**

Regarding Shree Hospital, Bidar, the Chairman opined to go with the decisions of the Karnataka Medical Council.

The Committee reviewed the actions taken on the remaining subjects.

Sub No. 27.3

**Rajiv Arogya Bhagya Scheme.**

The Executive Director, SAST briefed about Rajiv Arogya Bhagya (RAB) scheme is being sanctioned for APL families for tertiary care treatment of catastrophic illnesses under 7 broad specialities vide Govt Order No. Akuka 343 CGE 2013, dt. 23.11.2013. The scheme shall implement with a component of co-payment in the empanelled network hospitals and it consists of 447 surgical procedures and covers 50 defined follow-up packages.

i) Implementation of Rajiv Arogya Bhagya.
ii) Demands of NWHs placed before Executive Committee.

The Executive Director mentioned that a meeting with top 20 hospitals was
conducted to know the pros and cons before implementing RAB. The demands put forth by the NWHs was explained to the Committee in detail.

After detail discussions, the Committee recommended to:

a) fix 25% less on the existing VAS rates for Anthyodaya card holders who constitute about 12% of total BPL population.
b) fix 10% more on the existing VAS rates for BPL card holders.
c) fix 10% more on the revised VAS rates for APL card holders availing semi-private rooms.
d) fix 20% more on the revised VAS rates for APL card holders availing private rooms.

iii) Action taken by SAST on the decisions of the EC meeting.

The Executive Director briefed the package rates received from the NWHs for General Ward, private and suites for top procedures under each speciality. The Chairman noticed the wide difference in the rates and against the procedures and felt that this would not helpful in administering the schemes.

iv) Denial of services to VAS beneficiaries by NWHs.

The Executive Director put forth to the Committee regarding the strike conducted by the private hospitals and the actions taken by the Trust.

The Committee after noting the details of the hospitals denied service to BPL beneficiaries decided to:

a) stop payment for the hospitals who have not replied for the Show Cause Notice.

b) to issue Notice to all NWHs not to deny the services to the BPL beneficiaries for the strike which Association is planning to suspend services w.e.f. 23.02.2014.

Sub No. 27.4

Empanelling of Medical College Hospitals (Govt/Private).

The Executive Director informed the Committee that out of 46 Medical Colleges, 25 have empanelled under VAS (10 Govt and 15 Private). To empanel the remaining colleges teams have been constituted to meet the college authorities to brief the RAB and nominate them for empanellment.

The Committee noted the empanellment of Medical Colleges.

Sub No. 27.5
a) **Empanelment of Hospitals under Vajpayee Arogya Shree.**

The Committee noted the list of empanelled hospitals.

b) **The Network Hospital approved for additional speciality.**

The Committee noted the list of additional speciality approved to the NWHs.

**Sub No. 27.6**

**Renewal/not renewal of Network Hospitals.**

The Committee was informed that out of 19 NWHs as on date 14 hospitals have renewed their empanelment and intimations have been sent to the remaining hospitals for their renewal.

**The Committee noted the list of both empanelment renewed/not renewed hospitals.**

**Sub No. 27.7**

**Empanelment of Super Specialists and Specialists under Vajpayee Arogya Shree.**

The Committee noted the list of empanelled Super Specialists and Specialists under VAS.

**Additional Sub No. 27.7.1**

**Approval to empanel Doctor in the 3rd NWH for treatment.**

The Executive Director informed the Committee that during his recent visit to Hassan, found that Dr. Lokesh, Pediatric Surgeon is on the Pay Roll of Rajeev Hospital, Hassan. He is the only qualified super specialist available for Chickmangalore, Hassan and Mandya. Due to shortage of Pediatric Surgeons in these districts, Dr. Lokesh may be empanelled in SSM Hospital, Rajeev Hospital and Mani Hospital, Hassan.

**After detail discussions, the Committee approved to empanel Dr. Lokesh, Pediatric Surgeon in SSM Hospital, Rajeev Hospital and Mani Hospital, Hassan as treating doctor (3 NWHs in Hassan).**
Additional Sub No. 27.7.2

Approval to empanel Doctors for Chemotherapy in Shri Chamrajendra Hospital/HIMS, Hospet.

The Executive Director informed the Committee that due to shortage of Medical Oncologist in Shri Chamarajendra Hospital/HIMS, Hospet Dr. Krishna Murthy working as Surgical Oncologist and Dr. Kavitha working as Radiation Oncologist in the same hospital may be permitted for administering of Chemotherapy who are trained for the same.

After discussions and due to shortage of Medical Oncologist, the Committee permitted Dr. Krishna Murthy and Dr. Kavitha to administer Chemotherapy in Shri Chamarajendra Hospital/HIMS, Hospet.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks.

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(Dr. H. Sudarshan)
Chairman
Empanelment and Disciplinary Committee
Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust
Bangalore

(Proceedings approved by the Chairman)

\[\text{Date:} 21/12/14\]

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