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Sub: Review of critical COVID-19 confirmed cases by the Critical Care Support Team-reg

Ref: Govt. order no. e-DPAR 166 SAS 2020 dated 10.04.2020

With the increase in the number of COVID-19 positive cases in the State, it is important to control the case fatalities. It is observed that the elderly, those with co-morbidities, immuno-compromised are more susceptible to the disease and may improve if advanced healthcare are provided and advice at the appropriate time. Hence, a Critical Care Support (CCS) Team is constituted at the State level to provide medical advice to the treating physicians of all Govt. hospitals in Karnataka.

The confirmed COVID-19 cases (isolated in the designated hospitals) with the following criteria will be reviewed daily by the Critical Care support team from Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru.

Criteria 01: Cases admitted in the ICU with Ventilator support

Criteria 02 Cases admitted in the ICU with or without Oxygen supply

Criteria 03: Cases with Co-morbidities (like: Hypertension, DM, etc)

Criteria 04: Cases above the age of 60 years

Criteria 05: Pregnant cases

Any other criteria, which team deems fit to reduce case fatalities.

Critical Care support team:

- The team will comprise of 9 or more experts
- 3 or more Experts will be on a shift for 8 hours
- The first two hours of every shift will be allotted for zoom call with the identified COVID-19 hospitals and the schedule will be decided on a daily basis based on the number of critical cases in each hospital.
- For the next 6 hours, the experts of support team will be available on call to resolve the issues related to the COVID-19 confirmed cases.
- Any treating physician of identified hospitals can contact the experts 24/7 in case of any emergencies or management of COVID-19 cases.

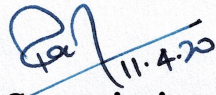
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- Three Interns/ Resident Medical officers will be deputed for each shift to assist the Critical team experts
- The Interns/ Resident Medical officers are responsible for compilation of the critical case details in the "ICU record sheet" before the zoom calls with the respective identified hospitals.
- DHOs/DS/Dean and Directors of Medical Colleges to ensure continuous Updation on E-Hospitals or any other software indicated of all COVID-19 patients.

The Status of cases with above criteria should be shared with the State COVID-19 Surveillance Unit 8th hourly to mail id: osdcovid19@gmail.com by Critical Care support team. The Special officer will pass necessary orders for smooth functionality of this facility of Tele-ICU.

As per the G.O of reference Dr. K V. Thrilok Chandra, IAS, Inspector General of Registration & Commissioner of Stamps, Bengaluru has been appointed as Special Officer for High Risk COVID-19 cases. He will be heading the CCS Team of Karnataka. The following Officers will assist him in the set up:

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1. The Director, RGUHS, Bengaluru
2. District Health and Family Welfare officers of all the Districts
3. District Surgeons of all the Districts
4. District Surveillance Officers of all the Districts
5. All the Designated COVID-19 hospitals
6. The Critical Care support team members

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1. Additional Chief Secretary, GoK, Bengaluru
2. The Mission Director, NHM, Bengaluru.
3. Special officer, COVID-19 Surveillance Bengaluru
4. The Director, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Services, Bengaluru.

