Government of West Bengal Health & family Welfare Department Swasthya Bhawan, Block GN-29, Sector V Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 91

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To

The Principal, Medical College and Hospital, Kolkata / Murshidabad Medical College and Hospital The Chief Medical officer of Health (All District and Health District, West Bengal)
The Superintendents (All Covid Hospitals, West Bengal)
The Director / CEO / Medical superintendent (All Private COVID Hospitals, West Bengal)

Sub: Advisory on Case Management for COVID - 19 Patients

The experts from the Protocol Management Team as deputed by the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal visited some private COVID hospitals and noted certain deficiencies. On the basis of their observations some recommendations are made as follows:

- 1. ECG for all and ABG for moderate category patients to be done on admission and noted in BHT.
- 2. BP and oxygen saturation to be monitored and noted in Top sheet.
- 3. Before putting patient on ventilator for hypoxia, adequate oxygen trial by appropriate appliances including HFNC must be done.
- 4. Close and intense monitoring of ICU patients to be done centrally and immediate interventions to be made for any deterioration.
- 5. Protocols should be prominently posted in wards and ICU so that all follow same.
- 6. Hospital acquired infections including Ventilator associated pneumonia are to be prevented by implementing proper Antibiotic policy.
- 7. Donning and doffing of PPE to be done appropriately in designated areas only by all categories of staff including Group D.
- 8. Segregation of COVID and non COVID patients should be properly done to prevent cross infection.
- 9.If patient is being transferred to another hospital, a case summary must be attached.
- 10. During transport of sick patient stabilization of vitals must be done. Appropriate oxygen support is to be provided during transport.

Practicing these recommendations will improve patient outcome. In subsequent visits experts will specifically check if these recommendations have been implemented in practice.

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Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action:

- 1. The Mission Director, NHM, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of West Bengal
- 2. The Medical Superintendent cum Vice Principal (Medical College and Hospital, Kolkata / Murshidabad Medical College and Hospital)
- 3. The DDHS (Admin), Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of West Bengal (He is requested to inform the Clinical establishments).
- 4. DDHS (PH), Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of West Bengal
- 5. The Dy Chief Medical Officer of Health II (All Districts and Health Districts)
- 6. The Senior PA to the Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of West Bengal
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