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 COVID hospitals and noted certain lapses. On the basis of their observations following recommendations are made:

- Proper assessment and Triage should be done during admission at Emergency Dept.
- Top sheet should be maintained properly.
- 3. Daily clinical progression should be recorded in BHT and signed by visiting consultant.
- 4. Steroids and anticoagulant should be given as per protocol.
- 5. ECG for all and ABG for sick patients to be done on admission and properly recorded in the BHT.
- 6. Before putting hypoxic patients on ventilator, High Flow Nasal Oxygen Therapy should be tried as per guideline. Prone awake ventilation is to be practised.
- 7. Ventilation strategy and guidelines should be posted in the work station so that it can be followed by all.
- 8. Antibiotics should be used judiciously. Proper guideline to be followed based on Hospital Antibiotic policy.
- 9. Death certificate should be written according to standard ICMR guideline.

Implementing these recommendations is expected to improve patient outcome. In subsequent visits experts will specifically check if these are being practised.

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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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