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The Additional Director, (A copy may be handed over to the visiting dignitary) CGHS, Swasthya Sadan,

Mukundnagar, Pune 411037.

Sub-Suggestions to enhance functional utility of CGHS.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to telephonic conversation with Shri SS Ranade, Commandant (retd.) on 08 February 2011.

We had forwarded our inescapable need in respect of wellness Centre at Akurdi wide Letter dated 21 January 2011. We are waiting for implementation as per the decisions taken during the meeting. As per the information you passed we are bringing following to your notice for discussions with representative from Ministry of Health. We shall remain grateful to your organisation for giving opportunity to discuss our necessities with your higher office representative.

- ♦ Inadequate Medical Officers: There is a dire need of adequate medical officers at wellness centres. When one of our members was being examined by the MO, one of the staff from the centre came with a suggestion that MO should not use more time in examination as the patients "Q" is very long and they all cannot be examined unless examination procedure is shortened. This is not an expected situation but there remains a cause for indifference. This can be got over by posting adequate number of MOs at each of the wellness centre.
- ♦ Requirement of Specialist MO: Diabetes, Heart disease, Joint pain etc are common with pensioners. However, Specialists are not available at wellness centre. Old age pensioners (all are senior citizens) have to travel long distance to get examined by specialists. Long distance travel is tiring and costly. This is causing daily tensions. Wherever needed a full time specialist should be posted at various wellness centres. Where specialist may not have full time work specialist should visit twice a week on predetermined days and time.
- ♦ **Quality of Medicine:** Every medicine has a number of manufacturers. It is similar to a number of chefs cooking same dish but the preparation differs from chef to chef in quality and taste. This is applicable to medicine producers also. There is inescapable necessity to find a solution so that high quality and effective medicine is available from CGHS.

- ♦ Recognised Hospitals: Number of hospital recognised by CGHS is too small even in cities. There are cities like Pimprichinchwad where there are no recognised hospitals. Pensioners stay even in villages. There is inescapable requirement to have recognised hospitals all over the country down to at least tehsil level. If it is possible for the association to help CGHS in this respect this association can extend all possible help.
- ♦ <u>Postal Pensioners:</u> There is a case pending for merger of postal dispensaries with CGHS wellness centres. It is unlikely that the case would be resolved in favour of pensioners in early future. Therefore it is requested that permission may be granted to all postal pensioners to opt and receive CGHS card as per the existing procedure applicable to other central government ministries and departments.
- ♦ FMA for Pensioners not opted for CGHS: There are some pensioners staying in CGHS wellness centre covered area. However some of them have not opted for CGHS and not taken card from CGHS authorities. They are not getting FMA in absence of certificate from CGHS authorities. CGHS should formulate a procedure and give list of documents needed for issue of certificate. A time period also may be fixed for issue of certificate from receipt of application. This procedure should be followed for each and every certificate issued by CGHS at various levels.
- ♦ Revised Rates of CGHS Subscription: It is provided in G of I, M of H & FW OM No. S.11011/2/2008-CGHS (P) dated 20th May 2009, Para 5 (i) "Contributions to be made by pensioners / family pensioners would be the amount they were subscribing at the time of their retirement or at the time of death of the Government servant;". However revised rates are applied by CGHS authorities for pensioners and family pensioners where pensioners had been retired before enhancement of CGHS Subscription. A specific clarification need to be sent to all subordinate offices of CGHS to demand rates as applicable at the time of retirement only.

We assure you of our cooperation as hitherto before. An early action and a line in reply are solicited. It is further requested to send email to the association on the address given above.

For Additional Director CGHS Pune only: Please give copy of this letter to visiting dignitary from M of H, G of I before the conference. Also please inform him about the difficulties brought to your notice by the association and action taken by your office during conference on 24th January 2011.

Yours Faithfully,

Copy to:-

- 1. President, AICGPA, CHQ Pune for information.
- 2. Members for information (To be read in Monthly meeting).

(Madhav Bamne, President, AICGPA, PC Branch)