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 Monitoring Team as deputed by the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal visited some private COVID hospitals today and noted certain deficiencies in practice which need urgent attention and rectification. On the basis of their observations following recommendations are made:

- 1. Proper Top Sheet maintenance is mandatory.
- 2. Proper Oxygen prescription mentioning device, flow, and target SpO2 must be practised.
- 3. Documentation of qSOFA during ICU admission and SOFA in ICU should be done.
- 4. Diagnostic and treatment protocols should be displayed in wards / ICU.
- 5. Pharmacotherapy guidelines in mild, moderate and severe disease should be followed meticulously as per Govt of WB protocol.
- 6. Quick Response Team should be formed.
- 7. High Flow Nasal Cannula / Non Invasive Ventilation (CPAP) trial should be tried before invasive ventilation under close monitoring. Awake prone ventilation should be practised.
- 8. It is better to set up environmental Airborne Isolation Precautions in ICUs where aerosol generating procedures are frequently done
- 9. Central monitoring system should be available in ICU.

These recommendations, if practised, will improve patient outcome. During subsequent visits, care will be taken to check if these are being implemented.

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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
- 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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