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From

Joint Secretary (Admn.),

To,

The Directors of all CSIR labs/Insts./units.

Subject: - Relaxation of procedures to be followed for considering requests of CSIR employees /Pensioners seeking reimbursement of expenditure incurred on medical treatment in emergency over and above the approved rates – constitution of Technical Standing Committee-reg.

Madam/Sir,

As per CGHS / CS (MA) Rules, 1944, made applicable in CSIR, the employees and pensioners and their dependent family members have the option to go to a nearby Government Hospital / empaneled private hospital or even any private hospital in case of emergency, without any referral / permission letter. The reimbursement of expenditure incurred under emergency shall be done on the basis of Emergency Certificate from the concerned hospital along with the Essentiality Certificate issued / and bills duly verified by the treating Doctor, with the stipulation that in case of treatment undertaken at private non-empaneled hospital under emergency, reimbursement will be limited to CGHS rates or actual, whichever may be lower.

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, vide its Office Memorandum No.H.110022/01/2014-MS dated 15.07.2014, has done away with the requirement of essentiality certificate from the treating doctor or the Medical Superintendent of the Hospital. It has also been allowed that the cases involving requests for relaxation of rules for reimbursement of full expenditure are required to be referred to a Technical Standing Committee, to be chaired by the DGHS / Addl. DGHS, and consist of Director (CGHS) and subject matter specialists. If the technical Standing Committee recommends the relaxation of rules for permitting full reimbursement of expenditure incurred by the beneficiary vis-à-vis the criteria laid down in the OM, the full expenditure may be allowed by the Secretary (Health & family Welfare) in consultation with IFD.

Some claims of CSIR employees requesting for full reimbursement of expenditure incurred in treatment taken in emergency were referred to DGHS for placing the same before their Standing Technical Committee and obtain their recommendations, but DGHS has not entertained these references citing reasons that CS(MA) Rules are applicable to serving Central Government employees, and that MoHFW do not consider the claims of ABs / PSUs which have unilaterally adopted these rules.

In view of above, the matter of authorizing CSIR to constitute the Standing

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Technical Committee to consider such cases was placed before the Governing Body. The Governing Body, in its 207<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 6th January, 2025 has approved that the Directors of respective Labs / Instts may constitute the Standing Technical Medical Committees to consider the claims for full reimbursement of expenditure incurred on medical treatment in emergency as under:

Chief Scientist of the Concerned Lab/Insttt	Chairperson of the TSC
Two Specialists of the relevant subject from a Govt. Hospital / Govt. Medical Institute holding a rank of Pay Level 13 or above.	Members
Medical Officer of the concerned Lab/Instt OR Medical Officer of the sister Lab / Instt in case of Labs/Instts which do not have their own Dispensary / Medical Officer	Member Convener

In case the Committee recommends relaxation of rules for full reimbursement of expenditure incurred by the claimant, the Labs/Instts may refer the matter to CSIR H'qrs, along with complete facts of the case, the recommendations of TSC, and views of Director of Lab/Instt for obtaining concurrence of IFD and approval of DG, CSIR.

These instructions shall be applicable w.e.f. the date of notification, however the claims already received by the Labs/Instts/H'qrs but pending for want of consideration by the STC may be placed before the Standing Technical Committee constituted as per these instructions.

Yours faithfully,



(Purnima Arora)  
Deputy Secretary