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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

ABSTRACT

Medical Attendance - Procedure for claiming reimbursement amount on expenditure incurred in connection with treatment taken in Private Hospitals - Amendment to rule 10(c) of Tamil Nadu Medical Attendance Rules - Orders - Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

G. O. Ms. No. 1023

Dated 17th June 1980

Read:

From the Director of Medical Education letter No. 29004/A2/3/79 dated 5-5-79.

From the Director of Medical Services & Family Welfare Letter No. 37076/A1/3/79 dt. 18-5-79.

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ORDER:

It has been observed by the Government that the claims for reimbursement on the expenditure incurred by the Government Employees towards the treatment taken in private hospitals are on the increase though facilities for treatment are available in Government institutions. On grounds of compassion, reimbursement is being allowed in certain cases even though the claims do not strictly satisfy rules. According to Rule 10(c) of the Tamil Nadu Medical Attendance Rules, treatment in private hospitals should not be resorted to and that in case of emergency, an emergency certificate from the Authorised Medical Attendant should be produced to the effect that the removal of the patient to the Government Hospital would have endangered the life of the patient. It should also be certified that such treatment is not available in the Government hospitals. It has also been observed that necessary certificates are also not being produced by the claimants but the individuals take treatment on their own initiative at the Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore or Railway Hospital, Madras. Even though the facilities for heart diseases are available in the Government General Hospital, Madras, which is a premier Institution in the State, Government Servants resort to treatment outside for such ailments.)

2) Hence the Government after careful consideration consider that the existing guidelines require revision. (In the place of the existing guidelines referred to in Rule 10(c) of the Tamil Nadu Medical Attendance rules, the following should be substituted:-

1. Treatment in private hospitals should not normally be resorted to by Government servants.
2. In case where the patient requires specialised treatment in a private hospital in the normal course the Government Servants should apply for prior permission of the Director of Medical Education, Director of Medical Services & Family Welfare and the Directors should specifically certify that

the treatment proposed to be performed in the particular case is of complicated nature and is not available in the Government Medical Institution.

3. In case of emergency for which the treatment has been undergone in a private Medical institution, the claims for such treatment after the treatment should be forwarded through the Director of Medical Education in cases when the treatment was had in the city medical institutions or in towns with teaching hospitals or to the Director of Medical Services & Family Welfare when the treatment was had in other medical institutions to the respective administrative department of the Secretariat. The Director of Medical Education and the Director of Medical Services as the case may be should certify whether the patient needed emergent treatment. In genuine cases the claims will be restricted to the expenditure that would have been incurred, had the patient taken treatment in a Government hospital excepting diet charges.
4. The view of the Director of Medical Education/Director of Medical Services & Family Welfare will be final.

3. The Heads of Departments, Collectors and the Departments of Secretariat etc. are, therefore requested to observe the above rules strictly in future.

4. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 1822-FS/P/30 dated 5-5-80.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K.J.M. SHETTY,
Commissioner & Secretary to
Government.

To
The Director of Medical Education, Madras-5.
The Director of Medical Services & Family Welfare, Madras-6.
All the other Heads of Department.
All the Departments of Secretariat
All the Collectors
All the District Judges.

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