

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Health Medical and Family Welfare – Aarogyasri Health Care Trust – Implementation of 'Employees Health Care Fund Scheme (EHF) – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (M2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.184,

Dated: 14-08-2012.

Read the following:-

- 1.G.O.Rt.No.1049 HM&FW (M2) Dept., dated: 31-05-2011.
- 2.G.O.Ms.No.329 HM&FW (M2) Dept dated 10-11-2011.
- 3.From the Chief Executive Officer, Aarogyasri Health Care Trust Letter No.EHF/254/2012, dated 05-06-2012.

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ORDER:

The Government, have decided to provide comprehensive health care to all Government Employees, Pensioners, and their family members, on **cashless** basis, through an appropriate scheme in lieu of the present medical reimbursement system under 'The Andhra Pradesh Integrated medical Attendance Rules, 1972 (APIMA Rules, 1972)'.

2. After holding a series of meetings with the Joint Action Committee of Employees, Pensioners Associations and A.P. Secretariat Employees' Co-ordination Committee representatives, and based on the inputs received during these meetings, Government issued orders in the G.O. 1st read above constituting a Technical Committee headed by Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare and Chief Executive Officer, Aarogyasri Health Care Trust (CEO-AHCT) as its Member-Convenor to analyse all aspects of the scheme and make comprehensive recommendations for its effective implementation. In acceptance of the recommendations of the Technical Committee, orders were issued in the G.O. 2nd read above, constituting a State Level Committee (SLC) headed by Special Chief Secretary to Govt., HM&FW Dept., with eight (8) more official members, including CEO-AHCT as member-Convenor and the representatives of Services Associations, to examine the recommendations of the Technical Committee, and to offer recommendations on all the modalities to be adopted finally for launching of the Scheme.

3. The State Level Committee met on 22-11-2011, 19-01-2012 and on 17-02-2012, and based on the decisions taken in the meetings, the CEO-AHCT submitted a 'draft Scheme' to Government vide his letter 3rd read above.

4. The salient features of the Scheme based on the earlier decisions were discussed with the representatives of the various Services Associations on 03-08-2012 in the meeting convened by the Principal Secretary to Government, Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department and a consensus has been arrived at on the salient features of the Employees Health Care Fund Scheme (EHF) and on the 'Operational guidelines relating to the issue of Identity Cards to all the beneficiaries under the Scheme'.

5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, **have decided to approve the 'Employees Health Care Fund Scheme (EHF)'** and hereby issue the following orders for implementation of EHF.

- i) AHCT will be the implementing agency as a service provider for the Scheme, initially for a period of two (2) years.
- ii) The salient features of the Scheme are given in the annexure to this Government Order.
- iii) A Steering Committee headed by the Chief Secretary will monitor the Scheme and review its implementation from time to time. Principal Secretary-Finance, Secretary(Services) GAD, Principal Secretary-Medical and Health, Commissioner Family Welfare, Director of Medical Education, Director of Health and Family Welfare, Commissioner of APVVP, Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Pay and Accounts Officer, and representatives of employees and pensioners associations as identified by GAD Services Department will be members, and Chief Executive Officer-AHCT the member-convenor for this committee.

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- iv) Government Order on the Operational guidelines for concerned officers under the control of Director of Treasuries and Accounts (DTA), Pay and Accounts Officer (PAO), Secretary to Government-Information Technology and Communication department (Secretary IT&C), Commissioner Civil Supplies and Ex-Officio Secretary to Government (Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs), District Collectors and Heads of Departments (HoD) for enrolment of beneficiaries, and operation of the Scheme by the Chief Executive Officer, Aarogyasri Health Care Trust will be issued separately.
- v) The EHF will be jointly funded through monthly premium contribution by the State Government employees including the State Government pensioners to the extent of 40 percent, and Government to the extent of 60 percent. The CEO-AHCT will separately furnish the detailed estimates based on the fund forecast for this year.
- vi) **AHCT** will ensure maximum coverage of employees and pensioners through the District Collectors and the HoDs concerned, so that EHF can be launched on **1st November 2012** for implementation of the Scheme in the entire State.
6. The Chief Executive Officer Aarogyasri Health Care Trust, Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Pay and Account Officer, District Collectors, Secretary IT&C, Commissioner Civil Supplies, and all Heads of Departments shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.
7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expr. M&H.1) Department vide their U.O. No.7581/260/A1/Expr.M&H-1/2012, dated: 14-08-2012.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MINNIE MATHEW,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Chief Executive Officer, Aarogyasri Health Care Trust, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, I.T. & C.

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies. A.P., Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors

All heads of Departments.

Copy to:

All the Secretaries /Prl. Secretaries / Spl. Chief Secretaries to Govt. in Secretariat.

All the employees and pensioners associations through GA (Services) Dept.

Accountant General (A&E), AP., Hyderabad.

Finance (Expr.M&H-1) Dept.

All concerned.

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ANNEXURE to the G.O.Ms.No.184, HM&FW(M2) Dept. Dated: 14-08-2012

SALIENT FEATURES OF EMPLOYEES HEALTH CARE FUND SCHEME (EHF)

- 1) Employees Health Care Fund Scheme is intended to provide cashless treatment to all the State Government employees including the State Government pensioners, along with their dependent family members through a network of empanelled hospitals of Aarogyasri Health Care Trust, in lieu of the present medical reimbursement system under 'The Andhra Pradesh Integrated medical Attendance Rules, 1972 (APIMA Rules, 1972)'.
- 2) Enrolment and Contribution are Compulsory. In cases where both the spouses are eligible employees/service pensioners, then enrolment and contribution by both is compulsory, and there shall be no duplication of dependent family members at the time of enrolment.
- 3) The scheme will provide treatment in Network Hospitals for all the listed therapies.
- 4) All diseases, including pre-existing diseases, will be covered from day one. The period from date of reporting to hospital up to 10 days from the date of discharge from the hospital shall be treated as part of the package, besides follow-up packages.
- 5) The sum insured is Rs.3.00 lakhs per family per annum on floater basis. Orders in respect of the monthly premium contribution will be issued separately. The ward entitlement will be as per the existing APIMA Rules, 1972.
- 6) The following will constitute the family.
 - (i) Parents (either adoptive or biological, but not both);
 - (ii) One legally wedded wife and her dependent parents in case of a male employee/ service pensioner;
 - (iii) Husband and his dependent parents in case of a female employee/ service pensioner; and
 - (iv) Wholly dependent legitimate children (including step children and adopted children).
- 7) Dependency will have the following meaning.
 - i) In case of parents, those who are dependent on the employee for their livelihood;
 - ii) In case of unemployed daughters, those who are unmarried or widowed or divorced or deserted; and
 - iii) In case of unemployed sons, those who are below the age of 25 years or disabled with a disability which renders them unfit for employment.
- 8) The categories of beneficiaries covered under EHF will cease to be covered under the APIMA rules upon commencement of EHF.

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- 9) The categories of beneficiaries covered under EHF at present is given in table below.

BENEFICIARY CATEGORIES

Sl. No.	Name of Category of beneficiaries covered under EHF at present
	I. SERVING
1	All regular State Government Employees.
2	Provincialised Employees of local bodies
	II. RETIRED
1	All service pensioners
2	Family pensioners without dependents
3	Re-employed service pensioners
	III. EXCLUDED BENEFICIARIES
1	Those who are covered for the listed therapies under other Insurance Schemes such as CGHS, ESIS, Railways, RTC, Arogyabhadratha of Police Department
2	Law Officers (Advocates General, State Prosecutors, State Counsels, Government Pleaders and Public Prosecutors)
3	Dependents of Family Pensioners
4	Casual and daily paid workers
5	Biological parents if adopted parents exist
6	All independent children
7	All AIS officers and pensioners who opt for CGHS
Note: Orders regarding those categories not covered here but listed under APIMA rules will be issued separately.	

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