

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department - Aardram Mission - integration of services of Government and Private Medical Colleges into the Aardram Mission - Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (FW) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt) No.**2713/2018/H&FWD**.

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Read: Letters No. ADMIN-81/2017/SHSRC dated 11/12/2017, 01/02/2018 from the Executive Director, State Health Systems Resources Centre-Kerala Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

- 1. As part of the Aardram Mission, the Government are in the process of transformation of the health sector. A key component is remodelling the Primary care system with focus on determinants of health, generation and use of data at local level, individual care plans and provision of essential curative services. These are activities new to the state and require a high level of technical expertise which may not be available in all parts of the state. The Medical Colleges, Government and Private, are involved in generation and dissemination of knowledge. They could provide technical support to primary care transformation and would in turn benefit by opportunities for field research. The following directions are issued to formalise and facilitate the involvement of government and private medical colleges in Aardram Mission in general and Family Health Centres in particular. Some of the areas where medical college could involve themselves are:
 - 1. Developing the Primary Health centres into family Health Centres.
- a. Preparation of the health status report of the FHC: Preparation of a health status report with details of the morbidity and mortality status of the Panchayat and formulation of panchayat level plan of action for addressing the same is a necessary condition for systematic public health work at PHC /LSGI level. Medical colleges, especially community medicine department could, in partnership with Panchayats and urban local governments could help develop the survey instruments, conduct the survey, analyse the results and point to how the results can used to improve public health interventions.
- b. Intervention to improve social and economic determinants of health: An analysis of the health status of a location is likely to identify factors outside the health system that influence health of the population. The medical colleges can help develop and implement interventions to address these: e.g. better designed cooking and ventilation options to control indoor air pollution.
- c. Capcity building of health care staff and community based workers: The FHC s would be expected to manage many diseases that often go to higher levels of care. There would also be task shifting to lower levels of health staff. Medical colleges can contribute to capacity building of the staff and fractioning as

technical mentors. They can also help introduce new treatment at the primary care level .

d. Research: Medical colleges can carry out, in partnership with the staff of FHCs, population based and other studies. Similarly students can be attached to the FHCs for field work. Operation research to prove efficacy of new techniques can also be done in partnership. Due acknowledgement and coauthorship where applicable should be provided to partners in FHCs.

e. Support for planning by Local Self Governments: Medical colleges can support LSGIs and FHCs to develop health sector plan schemes. They can also help implement community based interventions such as physical activity and monitor efficacy of plan schemes. They can also facilitate inter-sectoral convergence to

achieve health targets.

- 2. Government are also pleased to welcome the involvement of Government and Private Medical Colleges in implementing the FHCs successfully. The choice of areas which medical colleges should involve themselves is left to the LSGIs and FHCs. Before commencement of collaboration both parties will sign an agreement outlining the obligations and rights of both parties and the deliverables from the collaboration.
- 3. The integration of services of Private Medical Colleges in Aardram Mission with PHCs will be subject to the following conditions:

a. the collaboration of private medical colleges with LSGIs will be subject to

the sanction from the LSGI concerned.

b. medical camps organised as part of such collaboration will be with the knowledge of the LSGI concerned.

> (By Order of the Governor), RAJEEV SADANANDAN ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

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