



Minutes of AHPI State Chapter Office Bearers Monthly Meeting held on 28th April 2021 at 3 pm

Participants:

Dr. Alexander Thomas, President AHPI
Dr. Girdhar Gyani, Director General AHPI
Dr. Mahesh Kumar Sinha, President AHPI Chhattisgarh
Dr. Bishnu Panigrahi, President AHPI Delhi NCR
Dr. Narin Sehgal, Secretary AHPI Delhi NCR
Dr. Nirmal Choraria, President AHPI Gujarat
Dr. Amit Dolia, Secretary AHPI Gujarat
Mr. Jogesh Gambhir, President AHPI Jharkhand
Dr. Sushil Jathanna, President AHPI Karnataka
Dr. Hema Divakar, Vice President AHPI Karnataka
Dr. Priya Goutham, Secretary AHPI Karnataka
Mr. Pratap Varkey, Secretary AHPI Kerala
Dr. Anoop Hajela, President AHPI Madhya Pradesh
Dr. Rahul Khare, Secretary AHPI Madhya Pradesh
Mr. Rohit Upadhyay, Secretary AHPI North East Chapter 1
Dr. KH Palin, President AHPI North East Chapter 2
Dr. Amandeep Kaur, President AHPI North zone
Mr. Joy Das Gupta, Secretary AHPI North zone
Ms. Nilanjana Mukherjee, Secretary AHPI Odisha
Dr. Sameer Mehta, President AHPI Tamil Nadu
Dr. Kothandaraman, Secretary AHPI Tamil Nadu
Dr. Satish Reddy, President AHPI Telangana
Dr. Vishnu Reddy, Secretary AHPI Telangana
Dr. Zainab Zaidi, Secretary AHPI Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand
Dr. Saumitra Bharadwaj, President AHPI West Bengal

Meeting started by welcoming all State office bearers by President -AHPI

Following is the GIST of Discussion from the meeting:

- COVID Vaccination-Role of Private Hospitals
- Letter to PMO - HR suggestions
- AHPI working with step one-give India to provide aid in the form of Oxygen Concentrators. Members to provide list of hospitals to AHPI.
- Violence against Hospital and Medical Personnel- AHPI to write to the Prime Minister & Health Minister.
- Free teleconsultation facility by Connect2my doctor to AHPI members and COVID - 19 kits for Government and private diagnostic labs from NCBS.
- ICAI to conduct the study on costing of medical procedures along with stakeholders (AHPI, IMA, NATHEALTH, FICCI and ASSOCHAM) ICAI also to include Government bodies in the study.
- Discussion and way forward on irrational prescription of drugs by Hospitals for Covid management.
- Dr. Saumitra pointed out the WB Bengal Govt. order for Remdesivir procurement, same can only be procured and provided by Hospitals thus discouraging black marketing.
- Members encouraged the idea of single point procurement of vaccines for private hospitals. Role of AHPI in same to be discussed and established by AHPI committee on vaccines (announced in meeting with Mr Jogesh Gambhir as convener, Dr Bishnu Panigrahi and Dr Hema Divakar as members)

- Members highlighted importance of Oxygen Rationing
- Dr. Alex informed members regarding the vaccine supplies to private hospitals, which may take time up to 3 months
- Clarity on Vaccination Procurement by Private Hospitals still to be ascertained by all private hospitals in general and VACINE committee in particular.
- Infection in Healthcare Worker's families adding to manpower shortages in hospitals
- Sensitize providers on usage of Remdesivir
- Dr. Alex also advised members to explore options of installing inhouse oxygen generators to manage future crisis and thereafter,
- Dr Bishnu and Mr Sam Mehta to draft a letter on behalf of AHPI for Nursing Council and Government addressing shortage of nurses due to their excessive involvement in Home Care.
- Dr Bishnu to circulate the template/guidelines on management of COVID patients by Fortis.
- **Oxygen committee**
Dr BHAGAT was nominated as Convenor, with Ms NILANJANA and Mr SAMEER MEHTA were nominate as members. Dr BHAGAT was authorised to co-opt other members.

Dr Gyani while concluding the session, suggested that major hospitals must establish formal Home Health services. He also suggested that hospitals may work on converting hospital beds into HDUs/ ICU beds with minimum resources. He also advised counselling of Hospital employees by HODs to motivate them.