# Minutes of AHPI State Chapter Bearers zoom video call meeting held on 15.07.2020 at 3 PM

## **Participants:**

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Dr. Mahesh Kumar Sinha, President Chhattisgarh Chapter

Dr. C M Bhagat, President, Delhi NCR, Chapter

Dr. Amit Dolia, Secretary Gujarat Chapter

Mr. Jogesh Gambhir, President, Jharkhand Chapter

Dr. Naresh Shetty, President, Karnataka Chapter

Dr. Anup Hajela, President, Madhya Pradesh Chapter

Dr Rahul Khare, Secretary, Madhya Pradesh Chapter

Dr. Sujit Chatterjee, President, Maharashtra & Goa Chapter

Dr. James, Convenor Northeast Chapter, President Manipur Chapter

Dr. Amandeep Kaur, President, North Zone Chapter

Mr. Joydeep Gupta, Secretary, North zone Chapter

Dr. Bishnu Panigrahi, President, Odisha Chapter

Dr. Vishnu Reddy, Secretary, Telangana Chapter

Prof.Dr Hemchandra, President UP Chapter

Dr Alex and Dr Gyani welcomed the bearers and briefed about activities done by AHPI is past week, which included;

- 1. Update on hearing in SC (Sachin Jain vs GOI)
- 2. SC directed all parties and intervenors to hold a Meeting with Health Secretariat, Government of India, report to be submitted by secretariat to SC in 2 weeks' time on basis of deliberations and outcome in the meeting
- 3. GIC proposed rates-AHPI committee set up with IIM and School of economics for costing study, this to be provided to GIC for our submission on rationale costing.
- 4. Consent Form issue in National consumer forum in the case of Vinod Khanna Vs Doctor and RG Stone Hospital, Delhi. Discussion going on to challenge the order to fine hospital on pre-written consent form by NCF in SC
- 5. National Health Conclave postponed to March next year
- 6. Media committee is working on to finalise PR agency and terms
- 7. National school of journalism to include module on health-internship proposed on request of AHPI
- 8. Notice to Jug Surraiyaserved on his article on Pvt Healthcare in TOI last month
- 9. AHPI writing to CGHS to reconsider its order of capping of Covid treatment rates in the states where the rates are capped by respective governments
- 10. ESIS follow up with respective ministry
- 11. Dr Gyani discussed the points, Way forward and strategyfor the meeting at Health Secretariat as directed by SC in Sachin Jain case. Focus to be on costing.
- 12. Insurance capping also to be discussed in meeting

State Presentations

#### AP-By Dr Murali Voona

- 1. Suggested Consent form written by patient in handwriting/specifics in printed form and empty space to be provided at bottom of printed form
- 2. Working on membership drive and contribution for Media and Legal activity
- 3. Informed about Government decision to capping of Covid treatment at very low rates
- 4. Separate facility for healthcare workers requested

## Chhattisgarh-By Dr Mahesh Sinha

1. Covid Tariff of PVT Hospitals-meeting with Government

### **Delhi-By Dr CM Bhagat**

- 1. Consent Form-Scope for additional space for self-writing by doctors
- 2. Consent Form-Order of Consumer forum against Hospital needs to be challenged
- 3. Covid situation in Delhi has improved
- 4. Pertaining Tariff issue (Government and Insurance)

## Jharkhand-By Mr Jogesh Gambhir

- 1. Pvt Hospitals have been asked to provide beds to address the recent surge of Covid Patients
- 2. Consent Form-Bilingual forms being used, space provided for hand written consent

#### Karnataka- By Dr Naresh Shetty

- 1. Consent Form Case- Needs to be challenged
- 2. Situationworsened in last 10 days in state
- 3. Issue of managing Stress on manpower in Hospitals

## MP-By Dr Anup Hajela

- 1. Consent Form-Providing Handwritten Consent forms also
- 2. No problem with tariff as of now in state

#### Maharashtra-By Dr Sujit Chatterjee

- 1. Consent Form-Suggested Bilingual, Typed Consent forms as Doctors will not be able to spend much time in handwriting long consents, Blank space at bottom can be left for specific comments/details. Order of Consumer forum needs to be challenged
- 2. Suggested Expert support by one of PR agency
- 3. Supportive of AHPI Costing by GIC and others

#### **Manipur-By Dr James**

- 1. Consent form-Opportunity to improve consents by hospitals
- 2. Suggested Video recording while explanation of procedure by doctors and to be added along with consent. Consumer Forum order need to be challenged
- 3. Highlighted the need of Indian Medical Services like Administrative groups in country for better healthcare understanding and improvement
- 4. Collection for media cell started

#### **Punjab-By Dr Amandeep Kaur**

- 1. CEA Act-Highlighted points on current CEA Act meeting with Government:
  - a. Hospitals less than 50 beds are not covered
  - b. Doctor owned hospital will also not comeunder new CEA Act in Punjab
- 2. Membership drive-Suggested Tie up with IMA nursing home cell in state of Punjab to support the membership drive.
- 3. Suggested Government to use WB model of costing in treatment of Covid at Pvt Hospitals

### Odisha-By Dr Bishnu Panigrahi

- 1. Odisha Costing Model helpful so far in tackling the current crisis of funding at hospital
- 2. No problem so far with Insurance

## Telangana-By Dr Vishnu Reddy

- 1. Covid situation worsening
- 2. Consent Form-Pre-printed form being used asself-written consent not possible by doctors.
- 3. Difficulties with Insurance-Problem with rates
- 4. Stress on manpower is rising

# **UP-By Dr Hem Chandra**

- 1. Covid Patients admitting in Government hospitals only as per UK and UP Government
- 2. Expenditure of Pvt Medical Colleges taken over by Government are born by state Government only.
- 3. Consent Form-Not possible to write consent, additional space to be provided for specific notes.
- 4. Discussion undergoing for membership and media

#### Meeting ended with Vote of Thanks