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(CIRCULAR NO.EP-12-2022-28)

Sub: Detachment/ Isolation of *specialist consultation/ visiting fee up to two visits* from non-packaged room rentals

Reference is invited to FCI Circular No.EP-12-2003-15 Dated 28.07.2003, EP-12-2007-06 dated 26.03.2007, EP-12-2010-19 dated 30.07.2010, EP-12-2011-11 dated 28.03.2011, EP-12-2014-24 dated 14.11.2014, EP-12-2018-18 dated 14.09.2018 and Addendum to Circular No.EP-12-2018-18 dated 18.12.2019. These communications are containing instructions relating to entitlement of room accommodation to FCI beneficiaries for indoor treatment under Direct Payment System(along with other terms and conditions) wherein, it has been stated that room rent will include diet charges, specialist consultation/ visiting fee up to two visits, nursing charges, heater/cooler/AC charges etc as applicable.

In this context, references have been received from different Zones requesting to revisit the inclusion of specialist consultation/ visiting fee up to two visits as part of room rent, citing CGHS guidelines, since FCI follows CGHS/ CSMA guidelines/ rules for medical benefits (IPD&OPD) of its beneficiaries.

Thus, matter was looked in to in detail and it has been observed that mentioning of *specialist consultation/ visiting fee up to two visits* as part of non-packaged room rentals is a deviation from the CGHS guidelines as no such stipulation is there in the CGHS guidelines. Accordingly, after due examination, **it has been decided that *specialist consultation/ visiting fee up to two visits* shall not be a part of non-packaged room rentals henceforth** and the same is thus being detached/isolated from the non-packaged room rentals.

These instructions shall come in to force from the date of issue of this circular.

Other instructions in this regard as per extant guidelines shall remain unchanged.

//This issues with the approval of C&MD//

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