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**MEDICAL DEPARTMENT**  
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Sub: Extending of Re-scheduled Out-patient Treatment  
to Avoid Social Contact -Reg.

The Chairman, VOCPT, has accorded approval for extending the following measures in view of the prevalent COVID-19 situation:-

With a view to avoid sudden on rush of chronic patients, most of whom require only refilling of chronic regular prescriptions, it is proposed to have continuation of the following measures to maintain Social distancing and safety: -

1. Patients phoning in advance to inform the regular medicines on their treatment card for chronic ailments, so as to facilitate advance preparation of medicines and hence, decrease waiting time and prevent overcrowding.
2. Allow issue of medicines for 60 days for chronic illness.
3. Similarly, all patients on regular medicines for chronic ailments residing far away, who cannot visit Dispensary/Hospital, may be allowed to directly procure the medicines from Local Pharmacy in their vicinity at their own expense and later a claim for reimbursement can be raised at Maximum Retail Price (MRP), in line with the Office Memorandum(OM) from **Ministry of Health & family Welfare, Directorate General of CGHS, Government of India Order No: Z 15025/12/2020/DIR/CGHS Dated:29.12.2020**. This arrangement is till 28.02.2021, in keeping with provisions of said OM.

In such cases, reimbursement shall be made only for those medicines which are on their OP card and have been previously prescribed at Hospital/Dispensary. However, the patients are advised to attend Port Hospital/Dispensary in case of any Health Complaints.

4. In conditions, where the patients themselves cannot go to Port Hospital/Dispensary, an authorized representative of the patient/Number.of.Patients residing in the same area, may visit Port Hospital/Dispensary and can collect the medicines.

5. In case of chronic patients on Dialysis/Chemotherapy for Cancer, they can directly visit Empaneled Hospitals without obtaining Credit letter, after informing Medical Administrative Office/Dy.Chief Medical Officer (GD). The referral letter shall be sent across to Empaneled Hospitals through mail.

6. Resuming Dental Services at Port Hospital with immediate effect, in line with earlier practice of Six days a week along with stringent SOP to prevent exposure and spread of COVID-19.

7. 50% of Visiting Specialists visits has resumed to the usual visit allotted to Visiting Specialists.

-s/d-  
DEPUTY CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER(GD)