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- 1. All Civil Surgeons Punjab
- 2. Principal Govt Medical College Amritsar, Patiala and GGSMC Faridkot

Subject: Regarding Guidance document on appropriate management of suspect/confirmed cases of COVID-19.

Reference to the subject mentioned above the following guidelines need to be followed for appropriate management of suspect/confirmed cases of COVID-19 These guidelines are in addition to the one issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Which are attached for your reference to the email.

Key points for all level of isolation facility.

- 1. These isolation facilities ideal should be dedicated COVID care Centre (CCC), Dedicated COVID Health Centre (DCHC) and Dedicated COVID Hospital (DCH). But where it is not possible to do so the isolation facilities should be separate from the building of main hospital/emergency/OPD with arrangement for separate entrance and exit of COVID Suspect/COVID positive patients (Confirmed). At no point of time these patients should visit the area meant for other Non-COVID patients or come in contact with other patients.
- There must be provision for separate wards/rooms for COVID-19 confirmed patients and COVID-19 suspects. At no point of time there should be mixing of these two types of patients.
- 3. A suspect if turns out to be positive, must be immediately shifted to section/ward/room for COVID positive patients (Confirmed). Proper disinfection of the area as per protocol to be done from where the patient who turns out positive is shifted.

- 4. There must be separate arrangement of drinking water and toilets for these two categories of patients.
- 5. The drinking water and toilets should be situated within isolation facility or attached to the room or ward, avoiding the need for patients to come out of facility.
- 6. There should be arrangement of separate ambulance with oxygen facility to transport patients from category III to category II or I and from category II to category I facility.
- 7. Patients must be provided with good quality food and snacks as per requirement.
- 8. Relatives/attendance of isolated patients are not to be allowed to visit the patients.
- 9. All the staff on duty in isolation facilities to wear PPE and all other protective gear as per protocol.

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- 1. PS to Principal Secretary Health and Family Welfare for kind information.
- 2. PA to Mission Director NHM for kind information.
- 3. PA to Managing Director PHSC for kind information
- 4. Director, NHM for kind information.
- 5. Director, PHSC for kind information.

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