

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, GUWAHATI

MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH MEETING OF HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD

Held on 13.07.2020

The following items were discussed in the meeting:

Item No.1:

Reimbursement of medical treatment in respect of Restricted

Restricted, an employee of IIT Guwahati submitted two applications of Medical Reimbursement dtd. 24th Dec 2019, for Rs 64,489/- (Sixty four thousand four hundred eighty nine only) and dtd. 21st Jan 2020 for Rs 25,718/- (Twenty five thousand seven hundred eighteen only) respectively regarding his eye treatment at Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati. Restricted was diagnosed as Choroidal lesion and referred to Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati by Restricted, Visiting Ophthalmologist of IIT Guwahati Hospital. Restricted attended OPD of Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati and he was advised blood test and some eye test to check the vision.

Following those tests, he was prescribed medicines and one Injection viz- *Accentrix Inj* which cost Rs 25,500.00 (Twenty-five thousand five hundred only) including OT Charge Rs 2500.00 (Twenty five hundred only) from the same Hospital. As per Restricted claim applications, Restricted was injected three times (in 21.11.2019, 19.12.2019 and 26.12.2019) against which total cost of Rs 76,500/- (Seventy six thousand five hundred only) incurred. Thus the total expenses incurred for the treatment including Consultation fees is Rs 90,207/- (Ninety thousand two hundred and seven only).

It may be noted that following resolution passed in 12th HoAB and 3rd HoAB and subsequent approval of CA, the cost of *Accentrix Inj* has been reimbursed against Restricted earlier.

After discussion the HoAB decided as below

R/16/01/2020: The HoAB recommended for reimbursement of the medical treatment cost of Rs 90,207/- in case of Restricted in Sankardeva Nethralaya.

The HoAB also advised that in future if medical claim submitted in Medical Section is within 2.5 lakhs (the Institute ceiling for single disease), then the claim may be put up to the Competent Authority directly for approval.

Item No. 2:

Requirement of more permanent medical staff in hospital and campus accommodation for medical staff in IITG campus.

R/16/02/2020:

The HoAB take a note of the fact that the issue related to recruitment of Medical Officer and Nurse has been pending in Administration Section for long time. As the current situation (COVID-19) demands, it is advised by the HoAB to expedite the process of Interview of Medical Officer (OBC) and new recruitment of ANM nurses respectively.

Item No. 3:

Enhancement of the Institute ceiling limit for critical illness

One member raised the issue of enhancement of Institute limit for critical illness. The matter has been raised in HoAB earlier. As per medical rule 6.2," *for prolonged and complicated nature of treatment such as kidney transplant, bypass surgery, open heart surgery, complicated injuries / diseases like Leprosy, Cancer and TB etc., if the treatment is taken in an Institute recognized hospital, actual expenditure to be reimbursed will be subject to a ceiling for the entire treatment during the entire service of the staff member.* The ceiling limit for single disease is Rs.2.5 lakhs. The last enhancement of ceiling limit was done in 2011.

The Chairman of HoAB informed that as per advice of BoG , letter have been sent to older IITs from the Registrar, IITG, soliciting medical rules followed by those IITs in case reimbursement of critical illness. Although three IITs replied, but they are providing the information related to Insurance coverage of critical illness only.

R/16/03/2020: The HoAB advised to expedite the process of collecting any rules followed by older IITs related to critical illness and put up to BoG for a final resolution.

Item No. 4:

Availability of pulse oximeter in pharmacy of IITG hospital

R/16/04/2020:

The HoAB resolved that a Google form be generated and circulate among all the Faculty, Staff and Student to find out the exact number of requirement. The same may be intimated to the Vendor so that the sufficient supply of pulse oximeter can be made.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all.