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National Health Mission, SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla  
Himachal Pradesh

To

All the Chief Medical Officers  
Himachal Pradesh

Dated: May 2024 Shimla-9, the

Subject: Regarding operational guideline for NBCCs.



Sir/Madam,

Facility based newborn care (FBNC) plays a pivotal role in reducing neonatal mortality by providing opportune care for sick newborns. New Born Care Corner is for essential care of newborn at birth and ensures first golden minute care by early screening/ identification of complications and prompt referral from the delivery point and are expected to remain ready 24x7. NBCCs are neglected in majority of the delivery points with no ownership and accountability thus whole purpose of establishing NBCC is not being served.

To keep the NBCC functional for routine and other emergencies, an amount of ₹ 1,000/- (Rupees One Thousand) per NBCC is allocated. Therefore it is recommended that :

1. NBCCs should be well equipped with necessary and functional equipments.
2. Preferably Peadiatrician should be made incharge of NBCC. Incase no pediatrician available then NSSK trained MO should be made incharge of NBCC. Peadiatrician & OBG experts should ensure the essential newborn care, stabilization and prompt referral are being made at the NBCC.

#### Expected services at NBCC

- Prevention of Infection
- Provision of Warmth
- Resuscitation
- Early Initiation of Breastfeeding
- Weighing of New-born
- Identification of visible birth defects
- Identification and prompt referral of "at risk" and "sick" newborn.

Please note that every baby will not need care under a radiant warmer. Only when the following conditions are observed in the baby:

- Meconium stained liquor and preterm labour
- Baby not crying and limp/flaccid limbs/floppy baby

- Or as per doctors advice

#### **Guidelines for utilization of the Operational Cost:**

1. All local purchases should be done as per existing system.
2. Replacement of cracked Mattress cover and day to day maintenance of other-wear and tear-able materials.
3. Antiseptic solution & disinfectant - bleaching powder, Lysol (5%), detergent, soap, hand wash, Utility gloves.
4. To keep the Water taps, electrical switches, electrical bulbs functional.
5. Surgical attire for service provider, like gown, face mask, head cap, sleeper, shoe cover, gloves etc.
6. Printing of NBCC Board for the IPD ward
7. Ensure availability of Functional newborn resuscitation bag for Bag & Mask Ventilation, Baby caps, radiant warmer bed spread, blanket etc.

#### **Committee for NBCC Operational Cost:**

- Medical Superintendent/DPO/BMO/SMO/MO (as the case may be) of the Hospital : Chairman
- Nodal incharge of NBCC : Member Secretary
- Superintendent/Accountant: Member

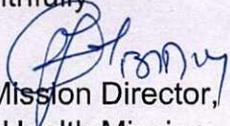
#### **General Administrative Guidelines**

- MS/DPO/BMO/Pediatrician/SMO will review the performance of all the NBCC activities of their vicinity at least once a month and monthly report of NBCC is to be sent to DPO who will send the compiled report of all the NBCCs to SHQ (NHM).
- The MO incharge will be primarily responsible for first reporting of any event in NBCC- like any death of neonates, any untoward incident, any instruments/equipments going out of service to MS/DPO/BMO/Pediatrician/SMO (as the case may be) of facility with the copy to CMO/DPO.
- An annual indent should be submitted to MS/DPO/BMO/Pediatrician/SMO (as the case may be) for all drugs and consumables required for NBCC by Nodal incharge of NBCC.
- Each unit should have one regular staff nurse as incharge along with other staff nurses for maintenance of store, maintenance of NBCC admission and discharge register as per standard format and supervision and duty allocation of staff nurses, helpers & sweepers.
- Staff nurse in charge should be responsible for preparing the monthly report.
- Ensure the MOs/staff nurses posted in NBCC should be trained in NSSK/IMNCI.

**Clinical Management Guidelines:** Standard protocol as described in the FBNC training manual should be followed for admission/ treatment and discharge.



Yours faithfully

  
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