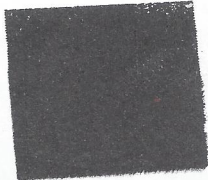


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**EMPLOYEES' STATE INSURANCE CORPORATION
PANCHDEEP BHAWAN : C.I.G. MARG : NEW DELHI.**

Dated: 7.1.2008

No. D-12/16/1/03-EVI

To

All Regional Directors/ Jt. Directors Incharge,
D(M)D/ DM Noida/ SSMC/ M.S. of ESIC Model Hospitals/ ODCs.

Sub: Extension of Medical facilities to ESIC Pensioners through the ESIC Pensioners Medical Scheme (ESIC-PMS).-(i) Eligibility for payment of Fixed Medical Allowance (ii) Provision for indoor treatment.

Ref: Hqrs. Office clarifications of even No. dated 13-01-06, 07-06-06, 15-12-06 and 01-03-07.

Sir,

I am directed to invite your attention to the references cited above and to state that following the approval of Standing Committee, the ESIC - Pensioners Medical Scheme came into force w.e.f. 01-04-2006. To smoothen the delivery of Medical Facilities under the scheme, clarifications were issued from time to time in the past. The matter was also placed before the Standing Committee in its meeting held on 18-12-2007 and to improve the Scheme further, the following clarifications are being issued: -

1) Eligibility regarding payment of Fixed Medical Allowance

The ESIC-PMS implemented w.e.f 1-4-06 was an optional Scheme and the Pensioners not opting for the Scheme were entitled for the Fixed Medical Allowance @ Rs.100/- per month. To improve the Scheme further and to bring it at par with the facilities available under C.G.H.S, detailed instructions were issued vide letters of even number dated 15-12-2006 and 01-03-2007 which Inter-alia stipulated that the ESIC-PMS is compulsory for pensioners residing in the areas specified in these instructions and accordingly such pensioners could not opt for Fixed Medical Allowance.

From the references received from the field units/Pensioners' Associations, it has come to the notice of Hqrs. Office that in compliance of the instructions cited above recovery of FMA in the different field units has been made effective from the different dates. Hence, the matter has been examined at Hqrs. Office and it has been decided that the payment of FMA for the period 1-4-2006 to 28-02-2007 will be made to all those pensioners situated within the implemented areas (Including the Catchment areas of ESIC Hospitals) of a Region, where the State Govt. has extended medical facility to ESIC Pensioners and who had originally opted for FMA in accordance with the extant provisions as on 1-4-2006, if otherwise admissible. The amount of FMA, if already, recovered from such pensioners will be refunded to

them. For the subsequent period, the payment of Fixed Medical Allowance will be strictly governed as per the instruction of even no. dated 1-3-07.

2) Provision for Indoor Treatment

As per the extant provisions the pensioners living in non-implementing areas of ESI Scheme can also opt for indoor treatment. In such cases the indoor treatment facility will be provided at the first instance through ESIC Hospitals / ESIS Hospital (where the agreement with State Government exists). In case, such facilities are not available in ESIC /ESIS Hospitals, pensioners may be referred to the approved hospitals. No TA will be paid to such pensioners for availing medical facilities from the designated hospitals.

Keeping in view the difficulties faced by pensioners, it has been decided that the members of the Scheme residing in non-implemented areas of a Region and in a State where the ESI Scheme has not been brought into force will be provided direct indoor treatment without any reference from any A.M.A etc. by recognizing any other hospital situated in their areas as per Rule 7 and 9 of the Scheme circulated vide instruction of even no. dated 13-1-2006. Further, those members of the scheme residing outside the Catchment area of an ESIC Hospital but in an implemented area of a Region where the State Government has not extended medical facility to ESIC Pensioners may be provided medical care by recognizing A.M.A. for outdoor treatment and any other hospital recognized in their areas for indoor treatment as per the rules cited above.

The clarifications have been approved by the Standing Committee. This disposes of the reference from Regional Directors and Pensioners Associations in the matter.

The receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.


(DEEPAK JOSHI)
JOINT DIRECTOR
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7. ESIC Pensioners' Welfare Association, 3/ 17, "Krishna Bhuvan", Dady Seth Road, Malad (West), Mumbai - 400 064.
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12. ESIC Pensioners' Welfare Association, (Rajasthan Region), Plot No.3, Near Old Telephone Exchange, Durgapura, Jaipur - 302 018.
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