

## GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

No: HFW 147 ACS 2021

Karnataka Government Secretariat Vikasa Soudha Bengaluru, dated 8.5.2021

## REVISED CIRCULAR

Subject: Price capping of HRCT and Digital X ray for Covid -19 patients in Karnataka - regarding.

Reference: 1. Proceedings of 100th meeting of State COVID 19
Technical Advisory Committee, GoK, Dated: 30.4.2021.
2. Circular No. HFW 147 ACS 2021, dated 7.5.2021.

Vide Circular cited at Reference-2, the price to be charged by the Private Diagnostic Centers, Private Medical Establishments, Scanning Centers etc., for the testing of HRCT / CT was capped at Rs.1,500/-.

The Association of Diagnostic Centres, Bengaluru (ADCB) has submitted a representation to Hon'ble Chief Minister stating that the Diagnostic Centers are not given any concession in electricity bill tariff like what is provided to hospitals and they have to incur huge costs on the salaries of radiologists and supporting staff which makes the working cost of a single CT scan to be Rs.4,000. They have submitted that the price limit fixed by the Government is not viable and requested to reconsider the price cap and fix a reasonable price between 3,500-4,500 per scan.

The Government has considered their representation and decided to fix the following limit for HRCT / CT to be done by the Private Diagnostic Centres, Private Medical Establishments, Scanning Centres etc.

- Rs.1,500/- for patients having BPL cards- (including consumables, sanitization, etc.) per patient (all ages)
- Rs.2,500/- for other patients (including consumables, sanitization, etc.) per p atient (all ages)

This Order will remain in force until further orders. It is mandatory for all the above said establishments to adhere to the price capping, failing which strict action shall be initiated against such establishments as per the provisions of the Karnataka Epidemic Diseases Act and KPME Act.

(Jawaid Akhtar)

Additional Chief Secretary to Govt., Department of Health and Family Welfare

## To:

- 1. Deputy Commissioners of all the Districts
- 2. CEO- ZP, All Districts
- 3. Special Commissioner Health, BBMP, Bengaluru.
- 4. District Health and Family Welfare Officers, All Districts
- 5. The District Surgeons, All Districts
- 6. The Dist. Surveillance Officers, All Districts.
- 7. Chief Health Officer, BBMP, Bengaluru.
- 8. The State President, KPME, for circulation among all the members.
- 9. The State President, PHANA, for circulation among all the members.

## Copy for kind information:

- 1. The Principal Secretary, Dept. of Medical Education.
- 2. Chief Commissioner BBMP, Bengaluru
- 3. The Commissioner, Health & FW services, Bengaluru
- 4. The Mission Director NHM, Bengaluru.
- 5. The Director, Medical Education, Bengaluru.
- 6. The Director, Health & F W Services, Bengaluru.
- 7. The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Health & F W and Medical Education, GoK.
- 8. Office Copy.