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From

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To

The Director, Capital Hospital, Bhubaneswar
The Director, Rourkela Government Hospital
The CDM & PHO-cum-District Mission Director, All 30 districts

Sub: Regarding preparedness at Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC) in response to COVID-19 in Odisha

Madam / Sir,

As you must be aware, the COVID-19, viral pandemic is at its peak and its imperative on our part to take necessary precautionary measures for the SAM children admitted to our NRCs especially during this phase. It's a well-known fact that severely wasted children have a higher risk of death (about 9 to 10 times) than the normal children. You are also aware that during any viral pandemic, there are chances of increase in malnutrition. In this regard, a guideline has been developed following WHO and UNICEF protocols to prevent corona virus from infecting SAM children and to prevent NRCs from the COVID-19 pandemic situation. The guideline also entails key recommended practices which should be encouraged at our NRCs situated at different levels of districts. The detailed guideline is enclosed herewith for kind reference.

Furthermore, in view of the viral pandemic, the district NRCs may need to avoid unnecessary gathering, group counselling, close interaction between patients, regular follow up visits at NRC, etc. Hence you are requested to circulate the guidance to the respective NRCs to ensure the practice of recommendations to prevent corona virus infection at NRCs.

Yours faithfully


Director of Family Welfare, Odisha.

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