GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

H.M &F.W.DEPT -COVID-19 - Notifying the rates to be charged for COVID-19 treatment in Private Nursing Homes & Private Hospitals - orders- issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (I.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 185

Dated: 30-04-2021.

Read the following:

- 1)Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.
- 2)G.O.Rt.No.176, HM&FW (B.2) Dept, Dated: 26.04.2021.
- 3)From the Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, e-file computer No.1398376.

ORDER:

The Government have permitted private hospitals to provide treatment to covid patients in the State and accordingly, the District Collectors have notified certain hospitals as Covid Hospitals. The entire treatment is provided free of cost in all Government Hospitals in the State with all inclusions. However, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that many private hospitals are charging beyond the reasonable cost and the economic capabilities of the patients. Since non providing of the affordable health care to the persons will lead to the infection increasing in the population, it is imperative that Government have to regulate the costs of care for the covid positive persons.

- 2. In view of the above, Government have constituted an expert committee for finalization of rates to be charged by the private hospitals to provide treatment to the Covid patients vide G.O. 2nd read above. Accordingly, the committee, so constituted held deliberations with the various experts and the members of the private hospitals associations and IMA and after detailed deliberations have recommended the rates to be charged for covid treatment.
- 3. Government after careful examination of the matter and in light of the provisions made under Section 2 of Epidemic Act 1897, hereby notify the following rates for regulating the prices to be charged by the private nursing homes and private hospitals in providing quality care to covid patients

			Rate per day	Rate per day
S.N.	Category	Treatment	(In Rs.)	(In Rs.)
			NABH	Non NABH
			Hospitals	Hospitals
1		Non-Critical	4,000/-	3,600/-
	Non	COVID 19 Treatment		

2	Critical	Non-Critical COVID 19	6,500/-	5,850/-
		Treatment with O2		
3	Critical Care	Critical COVID Treatment in ICU with NIV (CPAP, BIPAP, HFNO)		10,800/-
4		Critical COVID Treatment in ICU with Invasive Ventilator Support	16,000/-	14,400/-

- a) Patient inclusions are: Consultation, Nursing Charges, Room Stay & Meals, COVID testing, Monitoring & Investigations Biochemistry, Microbiology & Imaging; Physiotherapy, PPEs used, Drugs & Medical Consumables required, Biochemical Waste Management & other Protective gear, Bed side procedures like Ryles tube insertion, urinary tract Catheterization.
- b) All the private hospitals notified as covid hospitals must admit the patients immediately as per the admission protocols. No advance, shall be insisted at admission time.
- c) The HR CT charges shall be charged @ Rs.3000/- inclusive of film, report and other consumables.
- d) The Inj Remdesivir shall be charged @ Rs.2,500/- per vail and Inj Tocilizumab shall be charged @ Rs.30000/-, if used for the patient.
- e) No package rates shall be levied on the patients except the rates indicated above.
- 4) The rates as specified in Para 3 shall be the maximum for charging by the hospitals for covid treatment.
- 5) The private hospitals shall display the charges indicated at Para (3) above at all prominent places in the hospital and also communicate to the patients while admitting.
- 6) If any hospital is found to be charging more than the rates as indicated at Para (3) above, they shall be levied a penalty which shall be 10 times of the additional charges by the concerned DMHO and if any hospital or clinical establishment is found to be repeating the same on three occasions, such hospital shall be prosecuted as per provisions of IPC besides action as per Clinical Establishment Act.
- 7) The DMHOs in the State are directed to take appropriate action as per the Clinical Establishment Act in ensuring the quality care is provided by the private hospitals and charges as indicated above Only are collected.
- 8) The District Collectors and Superintendents/ Commissioner of Police in the State shall enforce the above regulations and make wide publicity to the rates charged and services to be provided by the private hospitals.

9) The Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, A.P. and the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P. shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL KUMAR SINGHAL PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Mangalagiri.

The Director, Public Health & Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.

The Director of Medical Education, A.P. Vijayawada.

The Director General of Police, AP

All the District Collectors in the State.

All the Superintendents/ Commissioner of Police in the State.

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