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To:

All the Pharmacy Institutions

**Sub: Implementation of the provisions of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016-reg.**

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of d.o. letter No. 3-1/2017-DD-III dated 02.05.2017 received from Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, New Delhi addressed to Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi which is self explanatory.

An extract of Section 10 and Section 25 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 is also enclosed. This is for your information and necessary action at your end.

Yours faithfully,

  
(ARCHANA MUDGAL)

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Government of India  
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment  
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divya)

Dated:- 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2017

DO No. 341/2017 DD-III

Dear Sir,

Please refer to this Department's O.M. of even No. dated 06.01.2017 regarding the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. Meanwhile the Act has been brought into force w.e.f 19.04.2017.

2. The new Act has expanded the horizon of the rights of persons with disabilities viz- the repealed PwD Act, 1995 and casts increased responsibilities on the Government authorities to ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others and also for their empowerment. It is needless to say that the new Act has penal provisions for violation of its provisions.

3. While each Ministry/Department is required to issue appropriate instructions to all the establishments under its administrative control to comply with the provision of the Act, your Ministry/Department is responsible to take specific action in respect of the following:-

- To sensitize the medical fraternity to protect the reproductive rights of persons with disabilities in terms of Section 10 of the Act (extract enclosed).
- To issue appropriate instruction to all health authorities to follow the guidelines for assessment and certification for persons with disabilities.
- To frame schemes and programmes to provide free health care facilities in terms of Section 25 of the Act (extract enclosed).
- To frame schemes and programmes to ensure implementation of Section 25 (2) of the Act (extract enclosed).
- To issue instructions to all hospitals/health centres regarding priority in attendance and treatment to PwDs in terms of Section 25(1)(c) of the Act (extract enclosed).
- To issue general instructions to all the establishments under its control regarding implementation of other provisions of the Act.

4. I shall be grateful if you kindly take immediate action on the above areas in line with the provisions of the RPwD Act, 2016 to ensure its effective implementation. Action taken in this regard may be intimated to us at the earliest.

Regards

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Yours sincerely,  
  
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**EXTRACT FROM THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT,**  
**2016**

**Section-10.**

- (1) The appropriate Government shall ensure that persons with disabilities have access to appropriate information regarding reproductive and family planning.
- (2) No person with disability shall be subject to any medical procedure which leads to infertility without his or her free and informed consent.

**Section-25.**

- (1) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take necessary measures for the persons with disabilities to provide,—
  - (a) free healthcare in the vicinity specially in rural area subject to such family income as may be notified;
  - (b) barrier-free access in all parts of Government and private hospitals and other healthcare institutions and centres;
  - (c) priority in attendance and treatment.
- (2) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take measures and make schemes or programmes to promote healthcare and prevent the occurrence of disabilities and for the said purpose shall—
  - (a) undertake or cause to be undertaken surveys, investigations and research concerning the cause of occurrence of disabilities;
  - (b) promote various methods for preventing disabilities;
  - (c) screen all the children at least once in a year for the purpose of identifying "at-risk" cases;
  - (d) provide facilities for training to the staff at the primary health centres;
  - (e) sponsor or cause to be sponsored awareness campaigns and disseminate or cause to be disseminated information for general hygiene, health and sanitation;
  - (f) take measures for pre-natal, perinatal and post-natal care of mother and child;
  - (g) educate the public through the pre-schools, schools, primary health centres, village level workers and anganwadi workers;
  - (h) create awareness amongst the masses through television, radio and other mass media on the causes of disabilities and the preventive measures to be adopted;
  - (i) healthcare during the time of natural disasters and other situations of risk;
  - (j) essential medical facilities for life saving emergency treatment and procedures; and
  - (k) sexual and reproductive healthcare especially for women with disability.