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*Dear Colleague,*

This is regarding the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP): Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19, which was launched to provide a safety net to the Health Workers fighting COVID-19 so as to ensure that in case of any adversity due to COVID-19, their families are taken care of.

2. As you are aware, PMGKP: Insurance Scheme for Health Workers fighting COVID-19 was implemented with effect from 30.03.2020 initially for a period of 90 days to provide an insurance cover of Rs. 50 lakh to the health workers fighting COVID-19. Subsequently, the duration of scheme was extended upto 24.03.2021. The Scheme has been implemented through purchase of an Insurance Policy from New India Assurance Company Limited to cover the health workers and the policy duration is coming to an end on 24.03.2021.

3. The Scheme has acted as a very effective safety net and has been able to provide relief to the dependents of Health Workers who have lost their lives due to COVID-19, while fighting the Pandemic. Under the Scheme, 287 Claims have so far been approved/paid by the Insurance Company. The Scheme has also played a very important psychological role in sending the right signals to the Health Care Workers and in keeping their morale high. Also, with the nationwide COVID-19 vaccination drive being rolled-out, vaccination of Health Care workers, both in government and private sectors, has been undertaken on priority.

4. As the duration of the insurance policy is coming to an end on 24.03.2021, all the claims till the midnight of 24.03.2021 would be eligible for coverage under the Scheme. Further, it has been decided to provide one month's window i.e. up to 24.04.2021 for final submission of all the eligible claims to the Insurance Company along with the requisite supporting documents.

5. Therefore, I would like to seek your support in sensitizing all the stakeholders including the Healthcare providers regarding the conclusion of scheme on 24.03.2021 and for expediting the submission of all the eligible claims under the scheme by 24.04.2021.

*Warm Regards.*

Yours sincerely,

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