GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE, (HEALTH-IV BRANCH) NOTIFICATION

No. 7/27/2021-4H4/1568

Dated 19.05.2021 the Chandigarh

Whereas the Governor of Punjab is satisfied that the State of Punjab is threatened with the outbreaks of dangerous epidemic disease namely **Mucormycosis** among COVID-19 (Corona Virus Diseases 2019) patients being treated with steroids and that the ordinary provisions of law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 2, 3 & 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act. 1897, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following regulations namely: -

- 1. These regulations may be called "The Punjab Epidemic Diseases Mucormycosis among COVID-19 Patients Regulations, 2021".
- 2. As per these regulations the "Epidemic Disease" will mean Mucormycosis among COVID-19 (Corona Virus Diseases 2019) patients.
- 3. All healthcare facilities in the State of Punjab (Govt. and Private) will follow the guidelines for screening, diagnosis and management of Mucormycosis issued by Govt. of India and Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Punjab from time to time.
- 4. All healthcare facilities (Govt. & Private) will report each and every suspected and confirmed case of Mucormycosis among Covid-19 patients to the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Punjab through the Civil Surgeon of the respective district.
- No person/institution or organization will use any print or media in any form for spreading any information regarding management of Mucormycosis among COVID-19 (Corona Virus Diseases 2019) patients without prior permission of Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab.
- 6. Spread of any rumors or unscientific information regarding Mucormycosis among COVID-19 (Corona Virus Diseases 2019) will be a punishable offence under this notification.
- 7. The Office of Civil Surgeon of each district will compile the data of the cases of Mucormycosis among COVID-19 (Corona Virus Diseases 2019) patients reported from healthcare facilities (Govt. & Private) every day and will share with the Covid Cell at the State HQ. One nodal officer for this reporting will be identified by the districts.
- 8. **Penalty:** Any person/ institution or organization disobeying any regulation or order made under this act shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of Indian penal Code (45 of 1860).
 - i) Deputy Commissioner of the district can penalize person/ institution or organization found disobeying the regulations or orders made under this notification.

- ii) Principal Secretary Health and Family Welfare can penalize person/institution or organization found disobeying the regulations or orders made under this notification.
- Protection to person acting under Act: No suit or legal proceeding shall lie against any person for anything done or in good faith intended to be done under this Act.
- 10. These regulations shall come into force at once and shall remain valid for one year from the date of publication of this notification.

HUSSAN LAL

Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab

No 7/27/2021-4H4/1569

Dated Chandigarh: 19.05.2021.

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and compliance: -

- 1) Chief Secretary, Govt. of Punjab
- 2) All the Commissioners of Divisions in the State of Punjab.
- 3) The Managing Director, Punjab Health Systems Corporation, Punjab, Mohali.
- 4) The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Punjab, Chandigarh.
- 5) All the Deputy Commission in the State of Punjab.
- 6) All CPTOs in the State of Punjab.
- 7) The Director Health & Family Welfare Punjab, Chandigarh.
- 8) The Director Health Services (FW), Punjab, Chandigarh.
- 9) The Director Heath Services (SI), Punjab, Chandigarh for circulation in all the institutions under ESI.
- 10) The Director Research and Medical Education, Punjab, Chandigarh for information and for circulation among all the Govt. and Private Medical Colleges of the State.
- 11) The Director Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab for circulation to all DDPOs, BDPOs and Rural Medical Officers of the State.
- 12) The Principal, Government Medical College, Amritsar.
- 13) The Principal, Government Medical College, Patiala.
- 14) The Principal, Government Medical College, Faridkot.
- 15) The President, Indian Medical Association, Punjab for information and circulation to all the members of IMA, Punjab.
- 16) All the Civil Surgeons in the State of Punjab for circulation among all the healthcare facilities (Govt. & Private) in the respective districts.
- 17) The Medical Superintendent of Mata Kaushalya Hospital Patiala, BBMB Hospital and Civil Hospital Jalandhar.
- 18) The Accountant General Punjab, Chandigarh.

Under Secretary to Government of Puniable
Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Controller Printing & Stationery Punjab, Chandigarh, along with two attested copies for publishing the above notification in the Punjab Gov.t Gazette and for supplying 50 copies of the same to this department.

Under Secretary to Government of Punja

Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab