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- 2. All Civil Surgeons, Punjab
- 3. Principal Govt. Medical College Amritsar
- 4. Principal Govt. Medical College Patiala
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- 6. Medical Superintendent Civil Hospital Jalandhar
- 7. Medical Superintendent Mata Kaushalya Hospital, Patiala

Sub: Regarding establishing 'Fever Corners' in the Govt. Health Institutions of the State

Reference subject mentioned above, you all very well know that the transmission season of Dengue/ Chikungunya and Malaria has started in the State. The morbidity and mortality related to these diseases can be decreased by timely triaging and early management of these diseases in the Govt. Health Institutions.

In view of the above, you are all hereby directed to establish separate screening area for fever cases in the Govt. health institutions under your preview which should be named as **'Fever Corner'**. The Fever Corners should be made in the emergency/ Medical OPD area of each Govt Medical College, ESI Hospitals, District and Sub Divisional Hospitals immediately. This would initiate triaging, early diagnosis and prevention of disease in an effective manner. You should also sensitize the private hospitals in your districts to identify Fever Corners.

The following activities need to be undertaken in this regard:

- **1.** Staff nurses or pharmacist (paramedical staff) can be put on duty at these fever corners after proper sensitization.
- 2. All fever cases coming to hospital/health institution should report at the fever corner.
- 3. All febrile patients should be examined at Fever Corner for temperature, Pulse, BP, Tourniquet Test. These should be recorded on the OPD slip of the febrile patient.
 - a. Tourniquet Test Positive can be interpreted as more than 10 petchiae per square inch in the antecubital fossa as per CDC and WHO guidelines. This signifies chances of capillary leakage and these patients should be kept under observation
 - 4. Suspected cases of dengue and chikungunya should be examined for arthralgias and arthritis.

- 5. The suspected patients of dengue/chikungunya should be admitted in designated dengue wards under mosquito nets and supportive management should be provided free to the patients. The guidelines in this regard have already been shared with you vide letter no. NVBDCP/Tech2/Pb-2018/1941-1966 dated 28.3.18.
- 6. List of Do's and Dont's for Dengue and Chikungunya should be displayed at important places of the hospital so that they are easily readable by the patients and their attendants who visit the premises.
- 7. Free testing and management of dengue should be widely displayed in all the hospitals.
- 8. The detailed guidelines of management of dengue and chikungunya which have already been circulated to you and are available at <u>www.punjabnvbdcp.in</u> for free access and downloading and circulation to your staff should be adhered to while managing the cases of dengue and chikungunya.

The compliance report along with action taken report in this regard should be sent to State headquarter at <u>punjabnvbdcp@gmail.com</u> within 7 days of the receipt of these guidelines.

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1. PS to Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Deptt. Of Health and Family Welfare, for Information of PSHFW please.

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- 2. PA to Mission Director, National Health Mission, Punjab for information of MD NHM, please.
- 3. Director Research and Medical Education, Punjab for information and circulation of guidelines to all the Govt. Medical Colleges and Hospitals of the State.
- 4. Dr Kalpana Baruah, Joint Director, National vector Borne Disease Control Programme, Govt. of India, New Delhi for information.
- 5. Deputy Director Malaria, Deptt. Of Health and Family Welfare, Punjab for information.
- 6. State Programme Officer NVBDCP cum State Surveillance Officer, IDSP, Punjab for coordination.

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