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School Medical Officers

Medical Inspection of School Children and referrals to hospitals

This is further to the circular no. 02-32/2002 dated 26th February 2002 which was issued on the above subject.

In all hospitals arrangements should be made to release Medical Officers, RMO/AMO for School Medical Inspections (SMI) on prior arrangement by the Regional Director of Health Services with the Hospital Administrators, and in coordination with the Medical Officer Maternal and Child Health and Medical Officer of Health of the area.

School children with defects detected at School Medical Inspections should be treated at the SMI or if needed should be referred to specialist clinics at the nearest hospital. Medical Officers of Health should maintain a calendar of special clinics in the nearby hospitals for this purpose.

The hospital authorities should make sure that special clinics are held on Saturday mornings and weekday afternoons for school children. Priority must be given to children attending hospital clinics on other days by taking steps to ensure that these children carrying the referral card H 606 are seen without being made to take their turn with other OPD and clinic queues.

Please see that the referral card H 606 duly completed is handed over to the parent/child on completion of treatment.

Please bring the content of this circular to the notice of all clinic and OPD staff.



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