प्रधान महालेखाकार (लेखा परीक्षा 1) का कार्यालय, केरल, तिरुवनंतपुरम OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (AUDIT I), KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

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परिपत्र सं/CIRCULAR No.18

दिनांक/ Dated: 15.05.2024

विषय: CGHS लाभार्थी ID को ABHA ID के साथ जोड़ना- अनिवार्य

Sub: Mandatory linking of CGHS Beneficiary ID with (ABHA) ID - reg-

मुख्यालय ने परिपत्र पत्र दिनांक 19.04.2024 के माध्यम से सीजीएचएस द्वारा जारी एक ओएम का समर्थन किया है जिसमें सीजीएचएस लाभार्थी आईडी को आयुष्मान भारत स्वास्थ्य खाता (एबीएचए) आईडी के साथ अनिवार्य रूप से जोड़ने के संबंध में निम्नलिखित बिंदुओं को सीजीएचएस लाभार्थियों के ध्यान में लाया गया है:

- क. ABHA ID का निर्माण 30.09.2024 के भीतर पूरा किया जाना चाहिए
- ख. सीजीएचएस लाभार्थी आईडी को एबीएचए आईडी के साथ जोड़ना 1 अप्रैल 2024 से अनिवार्य होगा और सभी मौजूदा सीजीएचएस लाभार्थियों द्वारा 30.06.2024 (30.06.2024 से 4 महीने) 1 अप्रैल 2024 से 120 दिनों के भीतर पूरा किया जाएगा।
- ग. सीजीएचएस लाभार्थियों की सहायता के लिए, 30.06.2024 तक सभी सीजीएचएस कल्याण केंद्रों पर KIOSK चालू कर दिए जाएंगे।
- घ. निम्नलिखित के संबंध में सहायता प्राप्त करने के लिए आवश्यकता के आधार पर लाभार्थी अपने निकटतम सीजीएचएस कल्याण केंद्र पर जा सकते हैं:
 - 1. मोबाइल नंबर अपडेट करना
 - 2. त्रुटि(त्रुटियों) का सुधार नाम, जन्म का वर्ष, या लिंग में।
 - 3. सीजीएचएस लाभार्थी आईडी को एबीएचए नंबर से जोड़ना- 01.07.2024 से।

एबीएचए नंबर के लिए पंजीकरण करने और उसे सीजीएचएस लाभार्थी आईडी के साथ जोड़ने की प्रक्रिया जनवरी 2023 के ओएम नंबर 44/67/एमसीटीसी/सीजीएचएस (1/3565787/2023) में दी गई है, जो इस परिपत्र के साथ संलग्न है। इसके अलावा, किसी व्यक्ति के आधार डेटाबेस में मौजूद विवरण सीजीएचएस डेटाबेस में किसी व्यक्ति की पहचान, नाम, जन्मतिथि और लिंग के निर्माण और सत्यापन के उद्देश्य से 'सत्य के एकल स्रोत' के रूप में काम करेगा। इस कार्यालय के सभी मौजूदा सीजीएचएस लाभार्थियों से अनुरोध है कि वे जल्द से जल्द अपनी और परिवार के सदस्यों की सीजीएचएस लाभार्थी आईडी को एबीएचए आईडी से जोड़ें। इस परिपत्र की प्रति public folder-Audit I-Entitlement-CGHS ID with ABHA linking में उपलब्ध है।

HQrs vide Circular letter dated 19.04.2024 have endorsed an OM issued by CGHS wherein the following points regarding the mandatory linking of CGHS Beneficiary ID with Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) ID have been brought to the notice of CGHS beneficiaries:

- A. Creation of ABHA ID must be completed within 30.09.2024.
- B. Linking of CGHS Beneficiary ID with ABHA ID shall be mandatory w.e.f 1st April 2024 and shall be completed within 120 days w.e.f. 30.06.2024 (4 months from 30.06.2024) by all existing CGHS beneficiaries.
- C. To assist the CGHS beneficiaries, KIOSKS will be made operational at all CGHS wellness centres by 30.06.2024.
- D. The beneficiaries may visit their nearest CGHS wellness centre on need basis for availing assistance in respect of:
 - 1. Updating the mobile number
 - 2. Correction of error(s)- in name, year of birth, or gender.
 - 3. Linking of CGHS beneficiary ID to ABHA number, from 01.07.2024 onwards.

The procedure to register for an ABHA number and link the same with the CGHS beneficiary ID is laid down in OM No. 44/67/MCTC/CGHS dated January 2023 (I/3565787/2023) which is attached along with this circular. Also, the details contained in Aadhaar database of an individual shall serve as 'Single Source of Truth' for purpose of creation & verification of identity, name, date of birth & gender of an individual in CGHS database. All existing CGHS beneficiaries of this office are requested to link the CGHS Beneficiary ID of self and family members with ABHA ID at the earliest. The copy of this circular is available in public folder-Audit I-Entitlement-CGHS ID with ABHA linking.

{उप म ले (प्रशा) के दि. 13.05.2024 के आदेशानुसार/ Vide orders of DAG (Admn.) dated 13.05.2024}

Sd/-

वरिष्ठ लेखापरीक्षा अधिकारी/ हक Senior Audit Officer/Entt

सेवा में/То

- 1. सूचना पट्ट/ Notice board
- 2. सभी अधिकारीगण/All Officers
- 3. सभी अन्भाग एवं क्षेत्रीय दल/All Sections and field parties
- 4. शाखा कार्यालय/Branch Offices
- 5. स्टॉक फाइल/Stock file







F.No. 44/67/MCTC/CGHS

Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Department of Health & Family Welfare

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Dated the January , 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Linking of CGHS Beneficiary ID with the ABHA (Ayushman Bharat Health Account) ID.

With reference to the above mentioned subject and in alignment with its vision of being the first choice in providing quality healthcare services and ensuring holistic well-being across clients' entire life span, Central Government Health Scheme has found it imperative to adopt new technology and innovations in the delivery of quality healthcare.

In this regard, CGHS has already completed the process of onboarding on the 'Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission' (ABDM) Platform.

Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission has ushered India into a new era of technology enabled healthcare delivery. Ayushman Bharat Health Account number or popularly known as ABHA number, a component of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, is a randomly generated 14 digit number that will enable access to health records from registration to treatment and discharge in a paperless manner with multiple ABDM registered healthcare providers. Also, most importantly it is private and secure.

Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) Number for a patient/beneficiary is a hassle-free method of accessing and sharing his/her health records digitally. It enables the patient/beneficiary to interact with participating healthcare providers (including CGHS wellness centres), and allows him/her to receive digital lab reports, prescriptions and diagnosis seamlessly from verified healthcare professionals and health service providers.

The other benefits of Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) Number for a patient/beneficiary include:

- a. All medical reports are linked to ABHA and stored with the healthcare information provider (HIP)
- b. The health records are being shared through a Health information exchange consent management system that ensures data is not shared among healthcare information providers and users without the approval of the person to whom data is related.
- c. Safe and secure mechanism to share health records. The individual can decide the reports/ records to be shared and the time period for which such record is to be shared.

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- d. ABHA number helps in establishing a unique identity across different healthcare providers within the healthcare ecosystem.
- e. It helps in linking all healthcare benefits ranging from public health programmes to insurance schemes to your unique ABHA number.
- f. ABHA number also helps in avoiding long queues for registration in healthcare facilities across the country.
- e. Seamless sign up for PHR (Personal Health Records) applications such as ABDM-ABHA mobile application for Health data sharing.

How does an ABHA number work?

ABHA number is a 14 digit number that uniquely identifies a participant in India's digital healthcare ecosystem. ABHA number will establish a strong and trustable identity for the participant that shall be accepted by healthcare providers across the country.

ABHA (Ayushman Bharat Health Account) Address:

- ABHA Address is a unique identifier (self declared username) that enables a user to share
 and access your health records digitally. The ABHA address may look like
 'yourname@consent manager'.For instance, xyz@abdm is a ABHA address with ABDM
 Consent Manager that shall facilitate health data exchange with appropriate consent on the
 ABDM network.
- ABHA address is a unique address or username being created by an individual and can be linked with the ABHA number. It is being created for easy remembrance and usage and is similar to any email ID.
- ABHA address should not be confused with a residential address as it is only an electronic username being used in the application and at the facilities in place of the ABHA number.
- A beneficiary can use his/her ABHA number to seamlessly sign up for a ABHA address, and
 ensure that the health records created, are shared only with him/her. To enable health data
 sharing, it is advised that a beneficiary creates ABDM-ABHA address and link it with your
 ABHA number.
- ABHA address can be generated through ABHA mobile application.

CGHS has already onboarded on the ABDM platform with majority of its Wellness Centres registered as 'Healthcare facilities' on ABDM platform. In the near future, a beneficiary having his/her Beneficiary ID linked with Aadhar based ABHA number can avail all the aforementioned facilities through the CGHS wellness centres as well.

Moreover, a beneficiary can participate at his/her own free will and choose to create his/her ABHA number voluntarily. Also, at any time, he/she can request for permanent deletion or temporary deactivation of the ABHA number.

Steps to Register for ABHA number and link with CGHS Beneficiary ID

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To register for an ABHA number and link the same with the CGHS beneficiary ID, he/she needs to follow the below mentioned steps. If a beneficiary has already created his/her ABHA number, then it is advised to directly jump to point 13 below.

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1.	User should open browser, Er	nter URL: https://cghs.nic.in .
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2.	Hover mouse on menu 'Benef	ficiaries'
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3.	Click on 'Beneficiary Login'	
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4.	Enter Beneficiary ID, Enter Password, Enter Captcha. In case password is not known, Us	
	can reset password by clicking	g on Generate /Reset Password.
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5.	Enter OTP sent on registered	Mobile Number.

6. To link and create ABHA ID, hover mouse on Update Menu

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7. Click on Create / Link ABHA ID

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To create ABHA ID for family members, each family member would have to mapped, after main card holder logs in through "Beneficiary login".

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9. Click on "I don't have ABHA Number"

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10. Enter Aadhaar Number , read and give the consent

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11. Enter OTP sent on Mobile Number registered with Aadhaar Number and click on Verify OTP.

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User can see Link Status. If Details get matched, then user can print ABHA Card by clicking on Print ABHA Card.

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WHEN USER ALREADY HAS ABHA NUMBER.

Enter ABHA Number in LINK USING ABHA NUMBER in Consent Collection
 User need to read the consent form and give their consent
 Click on Get OTP

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Enter OTP sent on Mobile Number linked with AADHAAR Number.
 Click on Verify OTP

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 User can see Link Status. If Details get matched, then user can print ABHA Card by clicking on Print ABHA Card.

Facilities available through ABHA mobile application

In addition, a user can also download ABHA mobile application. The ABHA mobile application shall offer the following benefits to the beneficiary.

- 1. Creation of ABHA number under self-registration mode.
- 2. Creation of ABHA address and linking it with ABHA number.
- 3. Health records can be linked and fetched from HIPs.
- Health records available in physical form can be uploaded and stored in ABHA app through different electronic lockers.
- 5. Search for facilities/doctors based on location or specialty.

(Dr. Nikhilesh Chandra)

Director, CGHS

To

- AD(HQ), CGHS / AddI.DDG(HQ), CGHS
- 2. All the Additional Directors CGHS of all Cites/Zoes/AD(MSD)

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