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Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
(PNDT Division)

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Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 14th May, 2015

To,
The Principal Secretaries
(Health & FW),
All States/UTs,

Subject:- Clarification regarding procedures to be followed in case of short term demonstration/display of Ultrasound/Imaging Machines in the workshops/CME - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to say that an Expert Committee was constituted to re-examine the provisions of the PC & PNDT Act, 1994 and rules framed thereunder. The expert committee had given clarifications regarding the powers of State Appropriate authorities and the closure of unused/idle/surrendered Ultrasound machines. The recommendations were placed in the 22nd Meeting of the Central Supervisory Board (CSB) [constituted under the Pre-conception and Pre-natal Diagnostics Techniques Act (PC & PNDT Act), 1994] held on 13th October, 2014 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble HFM. The CSB has endorsed the following recommendations made by the Expert Committee:-

" District Appropriate Authority may grant permission for education/training or display of diagnostic technologies as prescribed below.

- (i) For display at scientific exhibition, the organising body should take permission from the District Appropriate Authority for the display of diagnostic technologies/equipment specifying their details. DAA should ensure that these diagnostic technologies are not used for live demonstration and the organizing body has to take all responsibilities for the violations under the PC & PNDT Act, 1994, if any.
- (ii) For live demonstration at workshops and conferences, permission should be granted only when these diagnostic technologies are demonstrated in registered facilities under the PC & PNDT Act, 1994 with transmission facility for viewing by the delegates. Along with the request by the organizing body the details of the diagnostic technologies/equipment used in the workshops/conferences and list of experts/professional demonstrating technologies along with qualifications must be submitted. The registered facility that provides its premises for same should also intimate to their respective District Appropriate Authority with all information pertaining to the equipment used and experts/professional demonstrating technologies. In all live demonstration and conferences Appropriate Authority should ensure that all the record under the provision of the PC & PNDT Act are maintained and preserved. "

2. In view of above recommendations of CSB, you are requested to take further action and disseminate the same among all stakeholders.

Yours faithfully,


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