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**MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA**

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**URGENT**

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To,

1. Presidents/Registrars of all the State Medical Councils.
2. Principal Secretary/Secretary of Health of all the State Govts.
3. Principal/Dean/Director of all the Medical Colleges in the Country/Director Generals/Directors of Health Services of State Govts.

Sir,

The Medical Council of India had received a complaint with regard to various Diagnostic Centres giving cuts and commissions to doctors for referring patients to diagnostic centers and also prescribing the investigations unnecessarily which are not required. While the Ethics Committee of MCI has been investigating on the 'sting operation' carried out by News Nation Channel against the nine Diagnostic Centres, the Council has taken the matter seriously and it is impressed upon all the State Medical Councils to ensure that -

1. They should investigate all the complaints received with regard to unethical practice adopted by the Registered Medical Practitioners in the respective State Medical Councils under Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics) Regulations, 2002, under clause 6.4.1 & 6.4.2 for prescribing the investigations and referring to Diagnostic Centres for their personal benefits. Using & keeping Agents/Touts for procuring patients for diagnosis or treatment by medical practitioners is also unethical as mentioned under clause 7.19. The State Medical Councils should also send the necessary directions/Advisory to all the medical practitioners registered with their Councils to refrain from such unethical/illegal practices and action taken against the medical practitioners for violating the ethical regulations.
2. It is also impressed upon the State Medical Councils that they should take immediate action on such complaints and should investigate complaint of such nature on priority basis and in a time bound manner. They should also take suo-moto action whenever the Councils feel it necessary. The action taken be also put on the website of the respective State Medical Councils and be also published in the newspaper and MCI should also be informed about the action taken.

Enquiry  
President

Yours faithfully,

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