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Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Directorate General of Health Services
Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation
(Medical Devices Division)

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To,
All states Drugs Controller/Authorities,

Subject: Strengthening of Materiovigilance Programme of India (MvPI) in the country-regarding

Sir/Madam,

As you might be aware, the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC), an autonomous institution of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India has been entrusted with the responsibility relating to Materiovigilance Program of India (MvPI) since July 6, 2015. The objective of MvPI is to improve patient safety and welfare of Indian population by monitoring medical devices safety and thereby reducing the risks associated with the use of medical devices.

Materiovigilance (MV) is based on sound scientific principle and is an integral part of effective clinical practices. The discipline need to develop further to meet the demands of public health for which continuous monitoring of medical devices is essential. Such monitoring will help in assessing, monitoring and detecting adverse effects of medical devices, their malfunctions etc. that can result in higher morbidity and mortality. The measure will help to maximize benefits and minimize risk associated with medical devices.

The Materiovigilance and medical device adverse event reporting among healthcare professionals needs to be scaled up. It can be done by developing educational and promotional interventions like continuous medical education, awareness program, workshops, conferences on materiovigilance etc.

In view of the above, you are requested to initiate the steps for strengthening public health by sensitizing and advising all clinicians and other healthcare professional under your jurisdiction to ~~mandatorily~~ adopt reporting of medical devices adverse event to MvPI-IPC.

Yours sincerely,



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Drugs Controller General (India)

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