



**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Medical Attendance - Facilities of admission and treatment to pensioners at Government hospitals - Consolidated orders - Modifications - .Orders - Issued.

MEDICAL & HEALTH DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 718. M&H (KI) Dept.

Dated: 26-11-1981,
Read the following: -

1. G.O.Ms.No. 219, Health, DL 163-1973.
2. G.O.Ms.No. 35, M&H (KI) Dept, Dt. 26-11-1981.

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ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above consolidated orders have been issued spelling out the facilities available to the pensioners of this State with regard to admission and treatment in the hospitals of this State including pensioners of All India Services and their families as defined under Rule 3(7) of Andhra Pradesh Integrated Medical Attendance Rules, 1972. According to Para 4 of the said order the pensioner shall not be eligible to claim reimbursement of medical expenses and for medicines purchased in the open market, if any, on the prescriptions even of the Government Medical Officers. But the medicines which are not available in the hospitals shall be purchased by the concerned Medical Officers in charge of hospitals and dispensaries and supplied to the pensioners and their families as per the orders issued in the G.O. second cited.

2. It is felt that this provision relating to the Medical Officer purchasing and supplying the medicines required by the pensioners may not be fully acted upon by the concerned Medical Officers for various reasons putting the pensioners consequently to Hardship. Therefore, if the hospitals are not able to get the medicines and supply them to the pensioners when they are not available in stock in the hospitals, the Medical Officers of the concerned hospitals may be permitted to allow the pensioners to purchase the medicines themselves and to reimburse the amount to them subject to the condition that the Medical Officer of the concerned Government Hospital certifies that the medicine is essential for recovery from the disease, that the medicine prescribed is not available for supply free of cost with the Government Hospital.

3. For purposes of reimbursement of the cost of medicines so purchased by the pensioners the following procedure may be adopted.

- i) When Medical Officer of the Government Hospital concerned is not able to supply the medicines prescribed by him to the pensioner free of cost and is not able to purchase and supply them to him free of cost, he should certify that the medicines prescribed are essential for recovery from the disease and that the medicine prescribed is not available for supply free of cost in stock with the hospital and that the pensioner may purchase them;
- ii) after obtaining a certificate to this effect the pensioner should purchase the medicines to the extent of quantities prescribed and submit the case memos together with a formal application to the Medical Officer in the Government Hospital concerned for reimbursement

of the amount spent by him.

- iii) the Medical Officer should countersign the cash memos and pass them for payment and forward the papers to the appropriate authority in the hospital for preferring the claim at the concerned treasury;
- iv) on the bill being passed by the treasury and on receipt of the amount the authority concerned should pay the money to pensioner and obtain proper acknowledgement for amount so paid.

4. There should be no delay in either giving the certificate referred to above for purchase of the medicines locally by the pensioner or in the matter of reimbursement of the amount to him. A time limit should be fixed by the Hospital concerned for this purchase. It should also be ensured that if the Medical Officers who prescribe the medicines are transferred after prescribing the medicines the successors in office countersign without any delay the cash memos when submitted by pensioners along with the prescription. Any delay in either giving the certificate or reimbursing the amount should be viewed seriously. The expenditure on the reimbursement of cost of medicines, purchased by the pensioners may be debited to the detailed head "190 Materials and supplies" under the respective hospital heads of accounts under "280 Medical Allopathy."

5. The Director of Medical Education may provide necessary provision for meeting this expenditure to all the Hospitals and Dispensaries, cases where the expenditure is in excess of the provision made, the bills should be passed pending replenishment of the provision by the Director of Medical Education before the end of the financial year either by way of reappropriation/reallocation or supplementary grant. In any case want of provision shall not be an excuse to deny or delay reimbursement of expenditure incurred by the pensioner on purchase of medicines, which are not stocked or are not in stock in the Hospital for supply free to the pensioner.

6. For purposes of the above order the pensioners should necessarily go to one of the Government hospitals indicated in the G.O. 1st cited and the treatment should be obtained at one of the said hospitals and the certificate prescribed above should also be given by a serving Medical Officer of the Hospital. No certificate given by any other authority shall be accented for this purpose.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance and Planning (Finance) department vide their U.O.No. 44567/D/713/BQ81, dated 4.11.1981.

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