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Post Graduate Medical Education Board (PGMEB)

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To,

1. The Director, Directorate of Medical Education of all States/UTs.
2. The Principal/Dean
All the Medical Colleges/Medical Institutions of India.

Subject: Implementation of District Residency Programme.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Post Graduate Medical Education Regulation 2000 (PGMER-2000) provides for three months District Residency Programme (DRP) in district health system for PG students of broad specialty. These provision were made by notification dated 16.09.2020. However due to COVID pandemic, DRP has not been implemented till now.

2. As per the Regulations, the District Residency Programme has been made mandatory in district hospitals for three months and the rotation of students is to be done in the 3rd or 4th or 5th Semester of the postgraduate programme.

3. Representations have been received from students admitted in the year 2020 seeking exemption from DRP as their final year examinations are approaching.

4. It is informed that the National Level Steering committee chaired by President, PGMEB has decided that:

- i) DRP is mandatory for all the students admitted in 2021 batch onwards.
- ii) DRP is also mandatory for students admitted in private medical colleges and deemed universities. DME of the concerned states are fully empowered to direct the private medical colleges and deemed universities under their jurisdiction to implement DRP so that the students admitted there in are not deprived of this programme.
- iii) As for as the District Hospital is concerned it includes CHC at Taluka Level subject to the condition that it is public sector/government- funded hospital of not less 100 beds with facility/staff for the designated specialties.

- iv) DRP being new initiative and it will be flexible based on the requirements and necessary modifications in the regulations can be suggested.
 - v) Residents have to be provided accommodation within the campus of District Hospital or within a periphery of 2-3 Kms, so that they are available on call. This arrangement has to be provided by the concerned State/UT.
5. All concerned are requested to take necessary action accordingly.

Yours sincerely,



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Deputy Secretary, PGMEB