Dear Colleague,

Major Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) account for over 60% of the deaths, of which over 50% are premature. Hence prevention, screening and management of the NCDs are priority for our country. The conditionalities framework which incentivizes/penalizes the States depending on their progress, has 'screening of 30+ population' as one of the conditionalities for 2018-19. Recently, Hon'ble Health Minister has written to the Hon'ble Chief Ministers of the States to monitor the progress of the conditionalities at their level so that these are given due importance as inadequate progress could result in the State losing out up to 20% of NHM funds.

Some of the States have shown good progress in NCD screening which is the first step towards tackling the NCDs. Currently the screening numbers include both population based screening (carried out in some selected districts) and opportunistic screening (i.e. screening of all 30+ people who come to the health facilities for out-patient services). While the population based screening, especially at Health and Wellness centres and in select NPCDCS districts are captured in the NCD application that has been developed to capture the details of the patients and care given; it may not be so in all the cases of opportunistic screening.

Keeping these in mind we have decided that in the NCD conditionality at least 50% of the screening data must be captured in the NCD app. To get maximum incentive under NCD screening, the state has to screen at least 15% of the total 30+ population, 50% of which must be entered in the NCD app.

May I request you to review the progress of screening and reporting in the NCD app at your level. We expect that this step would give necessary boost to the data capturing in the NCD app and create a system to manage the continuum of care of NCD patients.

Yours Sincerely

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