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NOTIFICATION

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NATIONAL DIGITAL HEALTH MISSION: HEALTH DATA MANAGEMENT POLICY ISSUE OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL ID

Pursuant to the publication of the National Digital Health Mission (NDHM) Health Data Management Policy ("HDM Policy") on 14.12.2020, the National Digital Health Mission ("NDHM") hereby notifies the following:

1. Issue of Healthcare Professional ID

- 1.1. Pursuant to Clauses 18.3 and 20.3(a) of the HDM Policy, the NDHM hereby specifies that a Healthcare Professional ID shall be issued electronically through the websites or mobile apps integrated with the National Digital Health Mission (NDHM) for this purpose, list of which shall be made available at ndhm.gov.in.
- 1.2. It is hereby clarified that at any time, a Healthcare Professional will be allowed to have only one unique Healthcare Professional ID under the NDHM.

2. Verification of the identity of Healthcare Professional

Pursuant to Clause 20.3(b) of the Policy, the NDHM hereby specifies the manner in which the identity of a Healthcare Professional may be verified:

- 2.1. The identity of a Healthcare Professional may be verified through the following modes of authentication:
 - a) Aadhaar-based authentication (One-Time Password based/demographic/biometric); or
 - b) Verification through other technological systems or registries as per Paragraph 2.2; or
 - c) Verification through other identity documents as per Paragraph 2.3.
- 2.2. The identity of a Healthcare Professional may be verified through the following technological systems or registries where such Healthcare Professional provides their corresponding ID details in such systems or registries, as the case may be:
 - a) AB PMJAY
 - b) Any other digital systems as may be specified by the NDHM from time to time
- 2.3. Alternately, the identity of a Healthcare Professional may be verified through the following identity documents provided by such Healthcare Professional:
 - a) Aadhaar

b) Any other identity documents as may be specified by the NDHM from time to time

3. Verification of the professional credentials of Healthcare Professionals

Pursuant to Clause 20.1, Clause 20.2 and Clause 20.3(d) of the Policy, the following is the manner in which the professional credentials of a Healthcare Professional may be verified, as well as the authorised registrars for the purpose of such verification:

3.1. The professional credentials of a Healthcare Professional that may be verified by the authorized registrars under this paragraph may include, but are not limited to, the educational, registration and employment details of the Healthcare Professional.

3.2. The authorized registrars for the purpose of verification of the professional credentials of the healthcare professional include:

- a) National Medical Commission and State Medical Councils;
- b) Dental Council of India and State Dental Councils;
- c) Central Council of Indian Medicine, Central Council of Homoeopathy and respective National/Central and State Councils for Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homeopathy;
- d) Indian Nursing Council;
- e) State Paramedical Councils;
- f) State and Union Territory officials who may be appointed for the purpose of such verification; and
- g) Any other entity governing the respective profession as may be further specified by the NDHM from time to time.

4. Opting-out of the NDHE

Pursuant to Clause 19.2 of the Policy, a Healthcare Professional shall have the choice of opting-out of the NDHE by using such functionality as provided in the website/ mobile app for this purpose. Opting-out of NDHE shall result in cancelling of Healthcare Professional ID, and the removal of any personal data linked with such ID in accordance with any guidelines relating to data retention and archival that may be notified from time to time, as well as any applicable law.

5. Suspension or cancellation of Healthcare Professional ID

Pursuant to Clause 35.1 of the Policy, a Healthcare Professional ID may be suspended or cancelled in accordance with the procedure specified as per Notification No: T-21016/271/2020-eHealth/02 dated 21.12.2020.

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