GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH SERVICES

Revised Discharge Policy for Covid-19

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This revised discharge policy is developed in alignment with the Ministry of Health & FW, Govt. of India's "Revised Discharge Policy for Covid-19" dated the 8th May, 2020 and "Revised guidelines for Home Isolation of mild/ asymptomatic Covid-19 cases" dated the 28th April, 2021.

1. Asymptomatic cases

The asymptomatic cases are laboratory confirmed cases not experiencing any symptoms and having oxygen saturation at room air of more than 96%. Asymptomatic cases are monitored under home isolation (subject to their eligibility as per the revised guidelines).

- 1.1. The patient under home isolation shall stand discharged and end isolation after 10 days from the date of sampling.
- 1.2. There will be no need for testing prior to discharge.

2. Mild/ very mild cases

Mild/ very mild cases (SPO2 ≥ 94) admitted to a Covid Care Facility will undergo regular temperature and pulse oximetry monitoring.

- 2.1. The patient can be discharged after 10 days of symptom onset and absence of fever without antipyretics for the last 3 days.
- 2.2. There will be no need for testing prior to discharge.
- 2.3. At the time of discharge, the patient will be advised to isolate himself at home and self monitor their health for further 7 days.
- 2.4. After discharge from facility, if he/ she again develop symptoms of fever, cough, or breathing difficulty they will contact Covid Care Centre or State Covid Helpline/ Control Room No.1800-345-3818 or respective District Covid Helpline Nos.
- 3. Moderate cases whose symptoms resolve within 3 days and maintain oxygen saturation ≥ 95% for the next 4 days (without oxygen support).
 - 3.1. Such patients will be discharged after 10 days of symptom onset in case of:
 - absence of fever without antipyretics
 - resolution of breathlessness
 - no oxygen requirement
 - 3.2. There will be no need for testing prior to discharge.
 - 3.3. At the time of discharge, the patient will be advised to isolate himself at home and self monitor their health for further 7 days.

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- 4. Moderate cases on oxygenation whose fever does not resolve within 3 days and demand of oxygen therapy continues.
 - 4.1. Such patients will be discharged only after:
 - Resolution of clinical symptoms
 - Ability to maintain oxygen saturation for 3 consecutive days
 - 4.2. There will be no need for testing prior to discharge.
 - 4.3. At the time of discharge, the patient will be advised to isolate himself at home and self monitor their health for further 7 days.
- 5. Severe cases including immunocompromised (HIV patients, transplant recipients, malignancy)

Discharge criteria for severe cases will be based on:

- 5.1. Clinical recovery.
- 5.2. Patient tested negative once by RT-PCR (after resolution of symptoms).

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