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Central Drugs Standard Control Organization
Directorate General of Health Services
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
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Subject:- Requirement of NOC from DCGI for addition of new clinical trial site or investigator – regarding.

To deliberate stakeholders concerns and the way forward relating to some issues on conduct of clinical trials in India, two meetings were held on 20.08.2015 and 06.10.2015 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in which experts including Secretary, D/o Health Research & Director General, ICMR and Director General Health Services were present.

As regards requirement of NOC from DCGI for addition of new clinical trial site or investigator in clinical trial, it was decided in the meeting that the respective Ethics Committee after due diligence can approve proposals for addition of site(s) and investigator(s) and no NOC from DCGI in the normal course, should be necessary. However, the applicant would inform DCGI about any such addition/ deletion and thereafter, if no objection was received from DCG (I), it would be deemed to have the concurrence of CDSCO.

This is communicated for information and necessary compliance by all concerned.

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Drugs Controller General (India)

To:-
  i) All stakeholders through website of DCG (I).
  ii) Zonal and Sub-zonal offices of CDSCO/ all officers of CDSCO (HQ).

Copy to:-
  i) PS to Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
  ii) PPS to DGHS,
  iii) PPS to JS(R).