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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
SPECIALIZED HEALTHCARE & MEDICAL EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT

MINUTES OF MEETING WITH THE VICE CHANCELLORS AND PRINCIPALS OF
PUBLIC SECTOR MEDICAL UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS
TO DISCUSS PG INDUCTION POLICY, 2016

- Venue:** Committee Room, S & GA Department,
Punjab Civil Secretariat, Lahore
- Date:** **9th December, 2016**
- Time:** **08:30 A.M.**
- Chair:** **Mr. Najam Ahmed Shah**
Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Specialized Healthcare &
Medical Education Department
- Participants:**
List attached

Proceedings:

Meeting started with the recitation of Holy Qur'an.

2. The Secretary, Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education Department / Chair briefed the participants about the purpose of the meeting.

He was informed that the policy document of Post-Graduate Residency Program (PRP) has been finalized. It was informed that inputs from all the relevant stakeholders were taken during the preparation of this document. It was shared with all the Principals and Vice Chancellors of public sector medical institutions in a debriefing session held at the University of Health Sciences (UHS), Lahore. This session was followed by a briefing session with all the Program Directors / Supervisors of medical institutions regarding Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM) of Residency Program, which was organized at the UHS, Lahore.

3. The Chair further informed that the Post-Graduate Induction Committee comprises of representatives from all the stakeholders including PM&DC and CPSP, Universities and Health Departments.

4. The house was further informed that meetings have been held with the representatives of YDA. The policy document was also placed at the official website of the Government, and the stakeholders were given three days to furnish their inputs / comments. A total number of 150 queries were received. These inputs / queries were given due consideration. All the genuine suggestions were incorporated in the policy document.

5. The Chair asked each Principal and Vice Chancellor individually to give his / her suggestion regarding incorporation of option of conducting interview at the time of induction. All the Principals, Heads of Specialized Healthcare Institutions and Vice Chancellors present in the meeting clearly stated that there was no need for interview in such admissions.

6. The Secretary Health informed that YDA had raised objection that 80 hours of duty/week for PGR was not justified. The Secretary Health informed that the policy document does not state that the duty hours had been fixed for 80 hours. The policy document states that the duty hours would be according to PM&DC Regulations. He further explained that there will be a hardship committee in the system. The maternity leave can be availed more than once during residency. (one paid and other unpaid)

7. Dr. Awais informed that the apprehension for some doctors about wedlock Policy has also been addressed. According to the policy, the spouse will be adjusted at the lower merit of the two. He explained that the system of residency admission January 2017, has been based on match to give chance to the merit to choose his/her seat. In this system (this is not just centralized admission).

8. The Chair stated that the no miscreant shall be allowed to disrupt or obstruct the Healthcare services in the hospitals. He urged all the Principals and Heads of Institutions to take strict action against any delinquent. The Secretary Health further directed all the Principals / Heads to ensure continuation of healthcare services in their respective hospitals.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the chair.

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DEPUTY SECRETARY (ME)**

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Dated Lahore, the 9th December, 2016.

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to the:

1. All the participants
2. Additional Secretary (Staff) to Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education Department.
3. P.S. to Minister for Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education, Punjab.
4. P.A. to Additional Secretary (Technical), Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education Department.

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