Drugs Procurement/Equipments Procurement

Status of Conditionalities

Policy and System to provide free generic medicines to all in public health facilities

The Govt. of Bihar is committed to provide quality essential generic medicines, free of cost, to all patients coming to Government Hospitals. To meet the demand to essential drugs, "State Health Society" has been nominated as "State Purchase Organization" to finalize purchase rates of drugs and medical equipments/instruments under Rule 129 of Bihar Finance (Amendment) Rules, 2005 in order to ensure uniformity in purchase rates and quality of drugs and medical equipments/instruments, vide Resolution No.- 4-35/2002/2473, dated 11.4.2007 of Finance Department. In the light of above, the State Health Society, Bihar finalizing the purchase rates through tender to buy specific drugs/hospital equipments/instruments for all Govt. Hospitals and makes these rates available to all Superintendent of Medical College Hospital, Civil Surgeons and DHS for purchase, as per their requirement.

SHSB invites tender directly form the pharmaceutical manufacturers/ direct importers for making rate contract of all the above said essential drugs on regular basis thorough various Drug Tender Rounds. SHSB makes rate contract of all essential drugs directly with L-1 manufacturer/importer and the same is made available to all Civil Surgeon-cum- Chief Medical Officers, Superintendents of Medical College Hospitals for their purchased by their end. The purchase orders placed directly to the rate contracted L-1 firms by the Civil Surgeon-cum- Chief Medical Officers/ Superintendents of Govt. Medical College Hospitals as per their requirement.

As soon as the rate contracted agency receives the purchase order, they issue proforma invoice to the respective purchased along with the schedule of supply. After receiving the proforma invoice, the concerned purchaser receive the indented supplies, as per their purchase order directly from the rate contracted agencies go-down-cum-store/ depot after making full payment to them. Thus all the purchaser are made on CASH AND CARRY MECHANISM.

To ensure that a minimum number of drugs of all therapeutic segments remain available in all health facilities at all times, a list of essential drugs have been prepared by an expert Core Committee, constituted under Chairmanship of Director-in-Chief, Health Services, Bihar, with a prime objective to satisfy the priority health core needs of the population. This list includes:-

- a. 33 drugs for the outdoor patients of APHC to district level Hospital.
- b. 112 drugs for the indoor patients of APHC to district level Hospital.
- c. 65 drugs and 120 drugs for outdoor and indoor patients respectively for Medical College Hospitals and
- d. 43 drugs for the operation theatre of Govt. Medical College Hospitals.

IT enables inventory management system in place

Availability of essential drugs are uploaded on DHIS-2 portal bi-monthly by concern health facilities.

IT enabled hospital information has been launched on 25th nov 2013 with facility to have real time report of OPD registration, Provisional Diagnosis, Availability & Distribution of Medicines in PHCs, Referral/Sub-divisional and District Hospitals. This system presently being shaped shall have all such reports available for general public from 1st January 2014. Through this system registration of OPD patient, distribution of drugs and pathology/radiology referral is being done. This system is in addition to the DHIS-2 web portal for reporting..

In addition to above BMEDS (Bihar Medical Equipment & Drug System), an initiative put forward by BMSICL for drug procurement and logistics MIS system. BMEDS aims in the process automation of the procurement and distribution process of drugs and equipments by the corporation. BMEDS is a complete web based, centralized automation solution with the advantages to built in Real Time MIS Reports for State warehouses and District Drug Stores/Warehouses.