No.IDSP/NHM/Pb/19/305-26

To
All Civil Surgeons
State Punjab.

Subject: - Regarding Viral Diagnostic laboratories applying for permission for testing of H1N1 in their labs.

Reference subject as above, it is hereby informed that

1. As per the notification no.5/13/2015-4HBIV/1419323/1 dated 13.2.2019 under Epidemic Disease Act 1897 (Flag A) private laboratories seeking permission for testing of H1N1 testing should have following
   1.1 The lab should be NABL accredited.
   1.2 The laboratory should have facility of RT- PCR and should be BSL-II.
   1.3 The laboratory should have requisite staff and trained staff.

2. The laboratory possessing all the above conditions should apply for certification for H1N1 testing to the Civil Surgeon of the concerned District. The lab will then be visited by the team within 3 days of receipt of application. The team may comprise of
   a) Civil Surgeon of the concerned district/ Representative.
   b) Medical Specialist, District Hospital
   c) Pathologist or Microbiologist District Hospital
   d) District Epidemiologist of the concerned district.

3. After assessment by the district team, if laboratory fulfills the criteria, Civil Surgeon of the concerned district will grant permission to the lab for testing of H1N1 influenza A on the following conditions.
   3.1 The laboratory will test samples of only those patients who are Category C as per GOI Instructions and as per notification of Govt. of Punjab.
   3.2 The report of the patient tested for Influenza A H1N1 will be shared immediately via email with Hospital where the patient is admitted, Civil Surgeon of the concerned District and State headquarters on punjab.idsp@gmail.com so that remedial measures could be undertaken.
   3.3 The maximum charges of the testing of H1N1 Influenza A should be Rs. 3500/- per test which will be paid by the patient.

This is issued after approval from Additional Chief Secretary Health, Punjab

Director Health & Family Welfare,
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1. PS to Additional Chief Secretary Health for the information of ACS Health, please.
2. PA to Mission Director, National Health Mission for the information of MD-NHM, please.
3. State Programme Officer, IDSP for the information & coordination.

Director Health & Family Welfare,
Punjab.

Dated: \[\text{15}\text{th} \text{July} \text{2019}\]