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**Sub: Guidelines to be followed by empanelled network hospitals (NWHs) under Yeshasvini in respect of Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/Hip) procedure**

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All the network hospitals under Yeshasvini Scheme empanelled to conduct Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/ Hip) are reported to have been violating the existing guidelines while submitting the pre-authorization requests to Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST). The existing guidelines under Yeshasvini Scheme for Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/ Hip) procedures is revisited and NWHs are strictly advised to adhere to the below guidelines.

**Infrastructural requirements:**

The hospitals should have

1. been specifically empanelled for Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/Hip) under Yeshasvini Scheme.
2. Laminar air flow OT
3. ICU with ventilator and cardiac care support
4. 24x7 Anaesthetist facilities
5. Full fledged CSSD facility

**Specialist criteria:**

The operating surgeons should have the below mentioned qualifications:

Operating surgeon: MBBS, MS(Ortho) with fellowship in replacement surgeries and he/she must have performed 25 surgeries per year.

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**Guidelines for NWHs to get approval for Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/ Hip) procedure:**

1. **Hospitals must take pre-authorization approval mandatorily before performing Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/ Hip)procedures.**
2. Hospitals should compulsorily upload the documents as given below for pre-auth approval
  - Yeshasvini card of the patient -both sides
  - Receipt for having paid the contribution amount in the year 2017-18
  - Aadhar card of the patient
  - Patient photo
  - Duly filled in pre-auth forms along with signature of the doctor and seal of the hospital.
  - First page of admission document
  - Nil MLC certificate from CMO
  - **Pre-operative X-ray of the part with date, name, number, hospital name etc and Clinical photo for knee/hip replacement**
3. All the pre-authorizations received from NWHs for Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/ Hip)procedures will be placed before the THR/TKR review Committee of SAST which will meet once in a week.
4. Only after the review of individual cases by the TKR/THR Committee and approval of pre-authorization from SAST, the hospitals must take up the patient for surgery.
5. **Post-operative X-ray, Scar photo should be uploaded after the respective surgery.**


**Henceforth, any pre-authorization requests received wherein Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee & Hip)surgeries have been performed on Yeshasvini patients prior to the submission/receipt of pre-authorization approval will be out rightly rejected.**

Joint replacement with prosthesis (Knee/Hip)is an expensive procedure and many patients approach the NWHs only with the anticipation of benefits available under Yeshasvini Scheme. If any hospitals conduct Joint replacement



with prosthesis (Knee/Hip) on Yeshasvini patients prior to the submission/approval of pre-authorization requests and later wherein pre-authorization is denied by the Committee, in such cases in spite of clear instructions because the hospitals have violated the protocol guidelines, the hospitals will not be allowed to convert Yeshasvini beneficiaries as Cash patients and collect the amount of surgery from the said patients. If any such instances are reported, the amount reported to have collected from the patients will be deducted from the total claim amount to be paid to the hospital and directly paid to the Yeshasvini beneficiary from the Trust.

Other than the above there will not be any other changes in the implementation of Yeshasvini Scheme.

  
Chief Executive Officer (I/c) 01/09/17  
Yeshasvini Trust

To

- 1) All the network hospitals
- 2) Executive Director, Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust
- 3) District Coordinators, Yeshasvini Scheme