

AYUSH Medical Reimbursement Policy Drafted

Why in News?

On 5 April 2023, in the cabinet meeting held in Chandigarh under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Manohar Lal, the draft AYUSH Medical Reimbursement Policy was approved giving great relief to government employees, pensioners and their dependents.

Key Points

- This policy aims to uplift the AYUSH system through its outreach to all the beneficiaries of the state government.
- As most of these beneficiaries are getting their treatment under the AYUSH system of medicine but due to the non-availability of empanelled AYUSH hospitals, they were facing difficulty in getting their bills reimbursed. Given these difficulties, the draft AYUSH Medical Reimbursement Policy has been prepared.
- As per this policy, all Government AYUSH Institutes, Private AYUSH Hospitals having NABH certificates and entry-level NABH certificates will be empanelled under this policy. This will give a boost to AYUSH private practitioners as they can get their hospitals empanelled.
- Haryana government employees, pensioners and their dependents can get treatment for their ailments by getting admitted as patients in AYUSH-empanelled hospitals under the state government.
- Certain yoga and naturopathy practices will also be reimbursed during the outpatient treatment of chronic disease patients as no medicines are prescribed for outpatient treatment in yoga and naturopathy hospitals.
- Fixed package rates have been defined in all streams of AYUSH viz. Ayurveda (96 packages), Yoga (27 packages) Naturopathy (30 packages), Unani (85 packages), and Siddha (49 packages).
- The empanelled private hospitals under this policy will charge fixed package rates from the employees which will be reimbursed later after submitting the bill to the concerned department. The room rent will also be fixed as per the basic pay of the employee, which will be charged by the concerned hospital as per eligibility and will be fully reimbursable.
- Even in case of non-package treatment during indoor admission through Ayurveda, Unani and Homeopathy in empanelled private hospitals of the State, room rent will be reimbursed to the extent of eligibility, laboratory rates and cost of medicines given at the time of admission.
- A reimbursable list of medicines will also be prepared under this policy, which will be fully reimbursable during indoor admission in private AYUSH-empaneled hospitals.

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