

भारतीय दन्त परिषद DENTAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

(A STATUTORY BODY CONSTITUTED UNDER THE DENTISTS ACT, 1948)

No.DE-101-(Act&Regulations)-2020/13042020

Dated the **13th April**, 2020

Τo,

The **President** and **Registrar** of all the **State Dental Council's**/ **Dentists Registration Tribunal's** in the Country

Sub: Appointment as State Nodal Officers for Workforce to fight against COVID-19 – Reg

Sir,

I am directed to say that the President, DCI vide D.O. letter No.DE-118-2020/04042020 dated 4th April 2020 had appealed to Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and Hon'ble Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Government of India that the dental professionals are ready to serve and contribute in this national calling and march in unison with the Central/State Governments to curb the menace of COVID-19.

The President, DCI has also informed that this public health emergency in the country calls out to every trained healthcare professional and is an opportunity for dental healthcare professionals to join forces and work towards making the country COVID-free. Dentists mainly can contribute immensely in various activities related to COVID-19:-

- 1. Pre-screening, routine medical examination and first aid.
- 2. Recording detailed Case history and Identification of vulnerable age groups.
- 3. Community engagement, Contact tracing and Patient tracking.
- 4. Health facility Infection control management.
- 5. Administrative work related to COVID-19 from purchases, record management etc.
- 6. Health Dashboard maintenance and IEC related activities.
- 7. Laboratory investigations like nasal swabs and throat swabs after necessary training.
- 8. Post discharge counselling and management of patients.
- 9. Review supply Chains and stocks of essential medicines.
- 10. Organising capacity building and training for healthcare professionals.

In this context, the Government of India is gathering information and data from various organisations about the COVID Warriors for Healthcare Workforce so that they can also serve this nation in fighting against COVID-19.

In view of the above, the President and Registrar of all State Dental Councils/Tribunals are required to act as State Nodal Officers of their State/UT in addition to their existing administrative responsibilities, so as to enable Dental Council of India as well as State Dental Councils/Tribunals to serve and contribute in this national calling and march in unison with the Central/State Governments to curb the menace of COVID-19.

ours faithfully (Dr. Sabyasachi Saha) Dental Council of India Contd....2/-

Copy for information to (By Email):

- 1. The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Dental Education Section, Maulana Azad Road, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110011.
- 2. The Principal Health Secretary, All State Government/Union Territory in the country.

(Dr. Sabyasach aha) Secretary Dental Council of India

CC:

- 1. The President, Dental Council of India, New Delhi.
- 2. The Server Section, Dental Council of India, New Delhi for email and uploading on DCI's website.