My No. FHB/EB/31/2007 Family Health Bureau, 231, De Saram Place, Colombo 10. 3rd April 2007

All Heads of Institutions,

Payment for female/male sterilizations

In the past, clients who accepted female or male sterilizations were paid an 'out of pocket allowance' of Rs. 500 by the respective Divisional Secretariat offices. However, many clients underwent difficulties when obtaining this payment. Therefore, in order to streamline the payment procedure for sterilizations and following discussions at the Hospital Director's Meeting, it has been decided to send funds, from the Family Health Bureau (FHB), direct to Institutions performing female and male sterilizations from March 2007.

The funding procedure will be as follows.

- 1. An advance of up to Rs. 25,000/- will be sent to institutions where sterilizations are carried out. Payments to clients and service providers, for sterilizations after February 2007, should be paid with these funds.
- 2. Further funds will be sent on submission of the following documents to Director Maternal & Child Health, FHB;
 - a) Certified copies of payment vouchers (General 35 & General 36a-large)
 - b) Copy of the Family Planning Monthly Return on New Acceptors-A Form (H 1200 A Revised 2007-Annex 4)

The Procedure for Payment to Clients and Service Providers is attached herewith.

Please note that funds will <u>not</u> be sent in the month of December. However, sterilizations could be carried out uninterrupted and payments for the same will be sent the following year. Therefore, the clients who undergo sterilizations in December will have to be informed to collect the 'out of pocket allowance, when funds are made available the following year.

Director (Maternal & Child Health)

Sgd. Dr. Ajith Mendis Director General Health Services

Copies to:

- 1. Secretary Health
- 2. Additional secretary (Medical services)
- 3. Chief accountant/ Ministry of Health
- 4. DDG/PHS
- 5. DDG/Planning
- 6. DDG/MS
- 7. DDG/Finance
- 8. D/Tertiary care
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