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Dr. Indu Bhushan
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Respected Sir,

Subject: Enrolment / empanelment of Dental Clinics in the
Central Hospital Repository

Greetings from Indian Dental Association, Head Office, Mumbai!

India, being demographically vast and with diverse cultures, imposes numerous challenges while implementing policies. We feel success and effective implementation of policies and programmes can be achieved through a collaborative approach.

Indian Dental Association, as custodian of oral healthcare in the country, has been in the forefront of promoting oral healthcare awareness in the country and improving the quality of oral healthcare services rendered to the community. Over the past several years, IDA has been engaged in implementing various programmes and projects aimed at imparting appropriate knowledge to the people on the basics of teeth and their care. IDA endeavours to provide oral healthcare of the highest ethical and professional standards to all segments of the population through its 29 states and over 430 local branches.

While serving the cause of oral health in the country since the last 72 years, IDA has contributed significantly to oral healthcare management through several initiatives such as Oral Cancer Foundation (OCF), Tobacco Intervention Initiative (TII), Child Dental Centre (CDC), National Oral Health Programme (NOHP).

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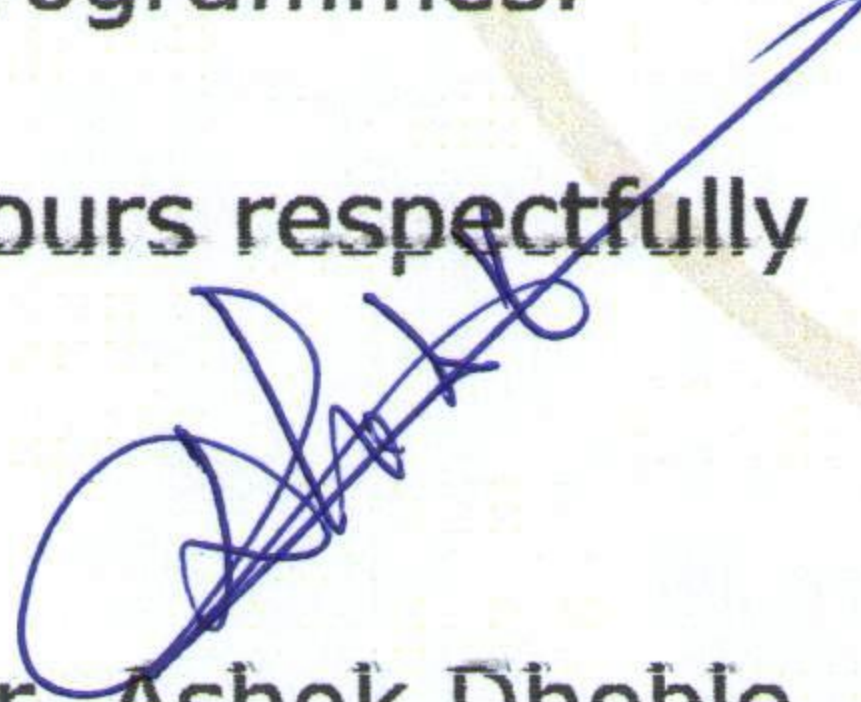
Every year, IDA conducts several checkup camps for various segments of the population, viz., children, women and the elderly and educating masses on the importance of oral health.

We would like to draw your kind attention to the fact that dental treatment needs of the patients are very high in our country. You would agree with us that dental pain is one of the worst pains experienced by anyone and timely treatment is a must.

Therefore, increasing the oral healthcare service providers' network under the Authority is as much a need of the hour as inclusion of dental treatments under Ayushman Bharat. Hence, IDA proposes to play a key role in strengthening Oral Healthcare Service Providers' Network. Considering the fact that rendering dental / oral treatments are way different than the general healthcare treatments, IDA proposes to devise mutually agreed enrolment procedures for enrolment / empanelment of dental clinics in the Central Hospital Repository, which will help us to achieve our common objective of optimal oral health for all by 2022.

We look forward to your favourable response and working closely with NHA for effective implementation of the Health Programmes.

Yours respectfully


Dr. Ashok Dhoble
Hon Secretary General