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Subject: Quality Management System for AEFI surveillance – Budgetary norms (FMR 13.3.2) and assessment criteria for activities at State, District and PHC/Session sites-reg.

Dear *Mission Directors, NHM*

One of the strategies for improving Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) surveillance in the country is by developing and implementing a Quality Management System (QMS) for AEFI surveillance at national, state, district and sub district levels for continuous and self-sustained improvement. Your State has been chosen as one of the 13 states for the implementation of QMS initially in two districts as a demonstration followed by scale up to cover all districts in the state.

The implementation of the QMS will be done jointly by the immunization programme managers and the Quality Assurance (QA) cells/units at the state and district level and will be overseen by the state and district AEFI committees. Two members of the state or district QA unit/cell will be co-opted as members of the state/district AEFI committees and will attend meetings of the state / district AEFI committees. Initially, State is required to choose two districts where AEFI Secretariat, MoHFW will be providing support for training and implementation of the QMS for AEFI Surveillance system. Thereafter, State is expected to support the remaining districts to implement QMS for AEFI Surveillance on similar lines.

In this regard, the budgetary norms for activities at PHC/session site level, district and state levels with relation to the QMS for AEFI surveillance are enclosed as Annexure1. A separate FMR 13.3.2 - "Quality Management Systems for AEFI surveillance under UIP" has been created for these activities in the PIP. In addition to this, criteria for eligibility for assessments at PHC/session site, district and state levels and certification of the state for QMS for AEFI surveillance is also enclosed as Annexure2.

It is requested that based on the assessment criteria and the budgetary norms for activities at various levels, a plan may be drawn up in consultation with the Senior AEFI Zonal Consultant for the state/UT and Programme Officer-Quality Assurance (AEFI) (Dr Ankur Raghav, ankur_raghav@in.jsi.com, 9741453784) of the AEFI Secretariat, MoHFW for step-wise implementation of QMS for AEFI surveillance in the states and districts so that states can attain certification as per National Quality Assessment Standards (NQAS) for AEFI surveillance as soon as possible. Request for required funds for activities may be proposed in the annual or supplementary PIPs.

with regards

Yours sincerely

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03/11/2020
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Enclosed: As above

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