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*Dear Colleague,*

17th September is observed as World Patient Safety Day (WPSD) each year in the light of Seventy Second World Health Assembly (WHA) resolution WHA 72.6 dated 28th May 2019 urging the member countries to keep patient safety as a key strategic priority in the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) agenda. In view of on-going burden of medication errors, this year's theme for the occasion is "Medication Safety".

2. For imparting importance to the patient safety and staff safety, it is requested that week from 12th to 17th September may be celebrated by the States/UTs as "Rogi Suraksha Saptah"- (Patient Safety Week). Suggested activities for the weeklong event are attached as **Appendix-I**.

3. Beside this the States/UTs are also requested to recognize Patient safety champions and also share their innovative learnings on Medication Safety.

4. At National level a Webinar on Patient safety with a theme on "Medication Safety" by eminent National and International speakers will be organized on 17th September 2022. (Details will be shared separately)

The States/UTs are requested to share all activities related to "Rogi Suraksha Saptah" with MoHFW/NHSRC at email [patientsafetyday2021.qi@gmail.com](mailto:patientsafetyday2021.qi@gmail.com).

*With regards,*

Yours sincerely,

*Roli Singh*  
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**Activities planned during the Patient Safety Week (12th to 17th September 2022)**

**Suggested activities for the States/UTs**

- States/UTs and districts are requested to disseminate information regarding ‘‘Rogi Suraksha Saptaah’’ to all public health facilities (DHs, SDHs, CHCs, UCHCs, PHCs, UPHCs and HWCs).
- Develop and disseminate the IEC related to World Patient safety day with a theme on Medication Safety.
- *Join the global campaign to light up iconic monuments, landmarks, public places and all Public Health facilities in the colour orange on 17th September 2022.*
- Support and monitor the activities in each districts and facilities.
- The States/UTs are requested to share all activities related to Suraksha Saptaah with MoHFW/NHSRC at email [patientsafetyday2021.qi@gmail.com](mailto:patientsafetyday2021.qi@gmail.com).

**Suggested activities for the Health Facilities**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Suggested Activities</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite any eminent speakers locally or from other facility to sensitize the staff about importance of Medication safety</li> <li>• Sensitization of staff on importance of identification, listing and storage of Look Alike-Sound Alike Medicines’</li> <li>• Clinical department of the facility to identify and list ‘Look Alike-Sound Alike (LASA) Medicines’</li> <li>• Take preventive actions to address potentially hazardous situations due to LASA medicines</li> </ul>
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitization of staff on importance of identification, listing and demarcated storage of ‘‘High-alert drugs’’</li> <li>• Staff Awareness on patient safety issued related to High-alert drugs</li> <li>• Clinical department of the facility to identify and list ‘High-alert drugs’ with maximum therapeutic dose and date of expiry</li> <li>• Take preventive actions to address potentially hazardous situations due to High-alert drugs</li> </ul>
14 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescription audits of randomly selected 30 prescriptions to identify extent of irrational usage of Drugs &amp; Diagnostics, antibiotic usage, polypharmacy, legibility of handwriting etc.</li> <li>• Action to improve the current practices.</li> </ul>
15 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient awareness on usage of Medication Safety App ‘‘5-moments of medication safety’’</li> </ul>
16 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All facility staff to take ‘‘Surakhsha Sapath (Patient Safety Oath)’’</li> <li>• Poster competition on Medication Safety</li> <li>• Identification of Best poster by the State and communicate to MoHFW/NHSRC.</li> </ul>
17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attend National Webinar on ‘‘World Patient Safety Day’’</li> <li>• <i>Join global campaign to light up the facility in the orange colour.</i></li> </ul>