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**Ministry of Health & Family Welfare**  
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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub: Extension of CGHS facilities to permanently disabled dependent brother of a CGHS beneficiary - reg.**

The undersigned is directed to state that dependent brother of a Central Government employee is presently entitled for CGHS coverage upto the age of becoming a major. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has been receiving requests from CGHS beneficiaries for removal of the upper age-limit in the case of disabled dependent brother so as to provide them the CGHS facilities without any age limit as has been provided to disabled son of a CGHS beneficiary.

2. Accordingly, with a view to assuage the hardship, it has been decided to extend the CGHS facilities to permanently disabled dependent brother of a CGHS beneficiary, without any age-limit.

3. For availing CGHS facilities under this provision, the permanently disabled dependent brother of a CGHS beneficiary must be suffering from any one or more of the disabilities as defined in Section 2(i) of 'The persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 (No.1 of 1996)' which includes:-

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| (i) <i>Blindness</i>             | (ii) <i>Low-vision</i>         |
| (iii) <i>Leprosy-cured</i>       | (iv) <i>Hearing impairment</i> |
| (v) <i>Loco motor disability</i> | (vi) <i>Mental retardation</i> |
| (vii) <i>Mental illness</i>      |                                |

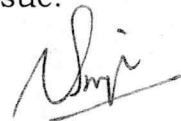
and as per Clause (j) of Section 2 of National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999 (No.44 of 1999), which presently covers a person suffering from any of the condition relating to autism, cerebral palsy, mental retardation or a combination of any two or more of such conditions and includes a person suffering from severe multiple disability. It is clarified that 'permanent disability' means a person with 40% or more of one or more disabilities.

4. The eligibility criteria for a permanently disabled dependent brother to avail medical facilities under CGHS will be as under:-

- a. He must be wholly dependent on the principal CGHS card holder beneficiary.

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- b. He should be unmarried and should not have his own family.
  - c. The income limit for deciding dependency shall be as prescribed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare from time to time and as applicable in CGHS for the time being in force.
  - d. He must be ordinarily residing with the primary CGHS cardholder beneficiary.
  - e. All the above conditions are required to be fulfilled for availing CGHS facilities. The CGHS facilities will cease to exist with immediate effect if any one of the above conditions is violated.
5. This office memorandum will be effective from the date of issue.



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**Deputy Secretary to the Government of India**

To :

1. All Ministries/Departments, Government of India
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19. Shri Umraomal Purohit, Secretary, Staff Side, National Council (JCM), 13-C, Ferozshah Road, New Delhi
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21. Office of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
22. Sr. Technical Director, NIC, MOHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi with a request to upload this OM on the CGHS website.
23. Guard File