BREAST CANCER HUB GRANT UTILISATION REPORT

PERIOD: JULY' 20 - SEPTEMBER' 20

Introduction:

According to World Health Organization (WHO) Global Health Expenditure database, in India, the out of pocket healthcare expenditure ranges from 85.5 % to 89.0 % in the years of 2010 to 2015. High medical bills and the lack of access to affordable healthcare push nearly 3.9 crore of the population in the country into poverty. Many lives are lost each year due to inability to pay for life-saving surgeries and procedures. It shows a felt need to provide quality and affordable health care to economically deprived population at primary, secondary and tertiary levels, especially for expensive treatments for non-communicable diseases including surgeries and related diagnosis in India.

Narayana Health (NH) thrives to live up to the purpose of not to turn back any disadvantaged patient for lack of funds. Through the Narayana Hrudayalaya Charitable Trust and chain of hospitals across India, Narayana Health is committed towards provision of healthcare to patients from lower socio-economic status. The poor patient support program was conceptualized to enable corporates, philanthropic institutions and individuals to join NH in our journey towards providing monetary support for those patients who are unable to afford healthcare expenses or facing catastrophic medical expenses.

The catastrophic nature of expenses is especially pervasive in cancer and cardiac treatment. The financial burden induced by treatment ends up pulling families way below the poverty line towards destitution.

The grant amount from **Breast Cancer Hub (BCH)** has been set aside for paediatric and adult oncology patients from under privileged backgrounds or who have already incurred catastrophic medical expenditure. The primary objective of the grant is to ease the burden on the families who are already under financial as well as emotional stress.

THE PROCESS FOR POOR PATIENT SUPPORT:

- Needy patients approach medico-social work department of respective hospital to seek
 financial support based on the cost estimate of the surgery/procedure
- Socio-Economic evaluation/assessment of the patients done with appropriate documentation by medico-social workers
- Required surgeries/procedures are carried out at Narayana Health group of hospitals utilizing appropriate amount of funds
- NH CSR Team oversees the smooth sanctioning of funds and processing of payments ensuring the patients face no hassles

DETAILS OF BENEFICIARIES

a. Details of beneficiaries along with amount of financial assistance provided

S. No	Gender	Age	Hometown	Family Occupation	Diagnosis	Financial assistance
1	Male	9yrs	Raichur	Labourer	Osteosarcoma	Rs.20,000/-
2	Male	50yrs	Bihar	Salesperson at Mobile shop	Carcinoma Supraglottis	Rs.15,000/-
3	Female	5yrs	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Carpenter	Recurrent Hepatoblastoma	Rs.25,000/-
4	Female	55yrs	Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal	Farmer	Carcinoma Left Breast	Rs.6,000/-
5	Female	2vrc	Kolar Karnataka	Autodriver	Relapsed sacrococcygeal germ cell tumor	Rs.10,000/-
6	Female	3yrs 15yrs	Kolar, Karnataka Raichur, Karnataka	Farmer		Rs.18,000/-
7	Female	43yrs	Krishnagiri, TamilNadu	Lost job due to lockdown	Osteosarcoma Carcinoma Sigmoid Colon	Rs.1,500/-
Total= Rs.95,500/-						

Below are the Socioeconomic details and case narrative of the beneficiary.

SUGRA FATHIMA KHAN:



Patient Sugra Fatima Khan is based out of Jogeshwari, Mumbai, Maharashtra, she is 5-year-old and lives with her parents and two elder sisters and elder brother. Sugra's father works as a Carpenter and is the only earning member who supports family of five. Patient was earlier diagnosed with Recurrent Hepatoblastoma and she underwent Chemotherapy in the year 2019, now the symptoms has started reappearing. She has to undergo salvage chemotherapy with a plan for liver transplant if the tumor is responsive for the chemotherapy. The

treatment is curative and has 40-50% expected 5 years survival rate, total cost estimation was coming up to Rs.2,14,500/-. The family was able to contribute Rs.10,000/- but was finding it financially burdening to arrange full treatment cost. NH CSR has extended the support to the family by sanctioning Rs.25,000/- through Breast Cancer Hub grant so that the patient and her family can be relieved from the catastrophic expenses.

BABY HAZIRA:



Three-year-old Baby Hazira is the only child of Mr. Firdos and Mrs. Amina hailing from Kolar, Karnataka. The baby is a case of relapsed sacrococcygeal germ cell tumor. Mr. Firdos works as an auto rikshaw driver earning around RS.4000 per month. The treatment was estimated to cost Rs. 16,00,000. The family had already spent around Rs.4,00,000 for initial diagnostic procedures and supportive care. The family was facing a huge financial crisis and were on the verge of losing hope. They applied for crowd funding and hoped to secure sufficient funds. They also got

assistance from other donors. Meanwhile Rs. 10,000/- was granted from Breast Cancer Hub grant, this sanction eased the financial stress on the family and allowed them time for the other funds to come through.

RAM TALUKDAR:

Mr. Ram Talukdar, 50 years, hails from Bihar. He lives with his wife and son Rajesh. Rajesh works in a mobile shop earning around Rs. 10000 each month. Mr. Ram no longer goes for work. He was diagnosed with Carcinoma Supraglottic, the doctor advised that he undergoes 33 fractions of radiotherapy by Three-Dimensional Conformal Radiotherapy(3DCRT) Technique. The treatment was estimated to cost Rs.1,31,860. The family managed to arrange Rs.50,000 for the

treatment but were facing difficulty to get more funds. They approached the patient support cell at Mazumdar Shaw Medical Centre, Bangalore. After due assessment they were sanctioned Rs. 15,000 from the Breast Cancer Hub grant. This came as a huge assistance to the family at their time of need.

MRS. BANUBALA GAYEN:



Patient Mrs. Banubala is based out of Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, she lives with her husband. Her husband Mr. Sunil Gayen is the only earning member of the family, he works as a farmer/local priest and earns upto Rs.3,500/- every month. Patient had a lump in her left breast, when the biopsy was done from local pathalogy centre it was diagnosed as Carcinoma Left Breast. Initially they had visited Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai and for Radiation they were referred to NH. The total estimate

for radiation therapy was coming upto Rs. 50,200/-. Patient's husband was able to contribute Rs.25,000/- by selling their land and through savings. They were financially burdened to arrange remainder money for the treatment. NH CSR through Breast Cancer Hub grant helped the patient by sanctioning Rs.6,000/-, this along with other funding sources helped them to overcome the expenses and burden.

We would like to thank Breast Cancer Hub for Their continued support to our program and we look forward to sharing further updates in our next quarterly report.