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B/49771/AG/ECHS/Emp/Policy 06-Aug 2025

All Regional Centres ECHS

**EXTENSION OF VALIDITY PERIOD TO HCOs FOR QCI INSPECTION / NABH  
ACCREDITATION FOR RENEWAL OF MOA**

1. Refer this office letter No B/49771/AG/ECHS/Emp dated 11 Feb 2025 (Copy enclosed).
2. Earlier one time waiver to Hospitals who were not in possession of valid QCI / NABH EL / NABH / NABL Accreditation certificate was exented **upto 11 Aug 2025** vide this office letter No B/49771/AG/ECHS/Emp/Policy dated 11 Feb 2025.
3. As per multiple emails received from Regional Centres ECHS, it has been observed that many empanelled Hospitals have applied to undergo QCI / NABH Accreditation inspection as per existing guidelines. However, HCOs are still not getting the inspection date from QCI / NABH Authority due to heavy workload and shortage of NABH / QCI Assessors and long waiting period of inspection schedule.
4. In view of the above, waiving time for obtaining valid Accreditation certificate from NABH authority is hereby extended from **12 Aug 2025 to 11 Feb 2026**. Further, all Regional Centres ECHS may continue / renew the MoA with empanelled HCOs not holding valid QCI / NABH EL / NABH / NABL Accreditation Certification, if they have already applied for Accreditation / Inspection and should have the valid Acknowledgement copy from QCI / NABH Authority. Further, HCOs who have not yet applied to undergo inspection, the MOA will not to be renewed as per the existing guidelines quoted at Para 26 of MoA for Pvt Hospitals.
5. In case of any alteration in the Scope of Services on QCI / NABH EL / NABH and NABL Accreditation Certificate wrt the GL Note is revealed at the time of renewal of MoA, in the form of either addition or deletion of services, case to be taken up by the concerned RC for the amendment of GL through proper channel as per existing guidelines. In the interim, MoA can be renewed only for the Scope of Services mentioned in both the documents i.e. latest GL Note and Valid QCI / NABH EL / NABH and NABL Accreditation Certificate till finalization of proposal regarding addition / deletion of Scope of Services by MoD (DoESW).
6. The above has the approval of competent authority.

(Sandeep S Meshram)  
Wg Cdr  
Joint Dir (Emp)  
For MD ECHS

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**Subject: Removal of ceiling limit for empanelment of Health Care Organizations in ECHS -reg**

Reference MoD DoESW ID No 22B(02)/2020/WE/D(Res-1) dated 30 January 2020 on formulation of guidelines for Screening Committee for consideration of empanelment of applications of hospitals in ECHS.

2. The Competent Authority has now decided to remove the ceiling limit for empanelment of HCO's based on the number of beneficiaries in a location and categories of cities added vide above mentioned MoD ID dated 30 Jan 2020. Henceforth new applications from NABH/NABL/QCI accredited HCOs be approved as similar to CGHS empanelment policy.

3. This issues with the concurrence of MoD(Fin/Pen) vide their ID No 32(01)/2020/Fin./Pen. Dated 23.07.2025.

  
(L. Fimate)

Under Secretary(WE)  
Tel: 2301 4946

✓ CO, ECHS

MoD/DoESW ID No. 22B(02)/2020-D(WE/Res-I), dated 29<sup>th</sup> Jul, 2025

**Copy to :-**

**IFA, CO, ECHS :** With respect to your letter No IFA/ECHS/Emp.Meeting/24-25 dated 30 Jan 2025.




B/49771/AG/ECHS/Emp/

11 Feb 2025

All Regional Centres ECHS

**EXTENSION OF VALIDITY PERIOD TO HCOs FOR QCI INSPECTION / NABH  
ACCREDITATION FOR RENEWAL OF MOA**

1. One time waiver to Hospitals who were not in possession of valid QCI / NABH EL / NABH / NABL Accreditation certificate was granted upto 11 Feb 2025 to obtain accreditation certificate vide CO ECHS letter No B/49771/AG/ECHS/Emp/Policy dated 12 Aug 2024.
2. It is intimated that instruction issued to All Regional Centres ECHS vide CO ECHS letter under reference regarding the continuation of MoA with empanelled HCOs not holding QCI / NABH EL / NABH / NABL Accreditation Certification. **Approval of one time waiver for the period from 12 Feb 2025 to 11 Aug 2025 is hereby accorded by MD ECHS** for extending the validity of MoA to HCOs who are not in possession of valid QCI / NABH EL / NABH / NABL Accreditation Certification as the many HCOs not getting the inspection date from QCI / NABH Authority due to heavy workload.
3. In addition, the concerned Regional Centre ECHS may renew the MoA of the HCOs willing to continue for the period mentioned above if they have already applied for Accreditation / Inspection and should have the valid Acknowledgement copy from QCI / NABH Authority.
4. It is also advised that Regional Centre ECHS to instruct and facilitate these HCOs for getting QCI / NABH Accreditation within stipulated timeframe. If the HCOs fail to obtain the valid accreditation within the stipulated timeframe, Stop Referral will be imposed to HCOs.
5. In case of any alteration in the Scope of Services on QCI / NABH EL / NABH and NABL Accreditation Certificate with the GL Note is revealed at the time of renewal of MoA, in the form of either addition or deletion of services, case to be taken up by the concerned RC for the amendment of GL through proper channel as per existing guidelines. In the interim, RCs will sign MoA as per the existing GL, till the time new GL is issued. On issuance of the new GL, the same will be uploaded in the portal and the facilities empanelled of the concerned hospital will be amended accordingly.
6. For strict adherence and necessary action please.



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