No.HFW-B(A)8-1/2003(I/N)
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Health & Family Welfare

From
The Principal Secretary(Health) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh

To
2. The Secretary to the Governor of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
3. The Secretary, HP, Vidhan Sabha, Shimla-4.
4. All Heads of Department in Himachal Pradesh.
5. All Divisional Commissioner in HP.
6. The Registrar, Hon’ble High Court of HP, Shimla-1.
7. All the District & Sessions Judges in Himachal Pradesh.
8. All the M.D.s of Boards/Corporations in Himachal Pradesh.
9. The Registrar, HP Krishi Vishva Vidhalya Palampur / Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry Farming Solan, HP University, Shimla-5.
10. All the Deputy Commissioner, HP.
11. All the Chief Medical Officers in HP.
12. All Treasuries Officers /Sub-Treasuries Officers/ Asstt. Treasuries Officers in HP.
13. All the Superintendnet of Police in Himachal Pradesh.
14. Resident Commissioner, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh Sikandra Road, Himachal Pradesh Bhawan, New Delhi.
15. The Under Secretary(SAA) to the Government of HP.
16. Private Secretary to the Chief Minister, HP.
19. Deputy Secretary (Pension Cell), HP, Secretariat, Shimla-1.
20. The Director of Health Services, HP, Shimla-9.
21. The President HP NGOs Federation, the Planning Bhawan, Chhoa Shimla-2.
22. The General Secretary, HP NGOs Federation, the Planning Bhawan Chhoa Shimla-2.
23. The President, Joint Consultative for pensioners, Alice Mount (L.T) near Ridge, Shimla.
24. Sh.Bishan Dass Sharma, the President Pensions Samaj Himachal Pradesh, Jasmine Lodge, Shiv Nagar, Kasumpti, Shimla-171009.

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25. Thakur D.R. Prawalia General Secretary, Pensioners Samaj Himachal Pradesh, village and Post office Kote (Dharampur) Tehsil Sarkaghat, Distt. Mandi, HP.

Subject: Grant of fixed medical allowance for Himachal Pradesh Govt. employees/pensioners and their wives/husbands-exercising of option-clarification/modifications thereof.

Sir,

In continuation of this department notification No. HFW-B(A)12-9/79 dated 21.6.96 (copy enclosed for ready reference), the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to amend following changes in respect of change of option from fixed medical allowance to open medical reimbursement for the purpose of availing medical facilities to the Himachal Pradesh Government employees and pensioners and their dependents:-

(i). As per the instructions of this department dated 21.6.96, the pensioners who do not give any specific option either for open medical reimbursement or for fixed medical allowance, are not given any medical reimbursement/benefit. To avoid the hardship faced by such pensioners, in future, till the pensioners exercise an option in writing, they will continue to get either the open medical reimbursement or the fixed medical allowance as they were getting prior to their retirement.

(ii). That the Government employees/pensioners who are presently getting open Medical reimbursement, may opt for the fixed medical allowance, as the same has been increased from Rs.100/- to Rs.250/- per month.

(iii). The All the Heads of Departments/DDOs concerned will ensure that the above opportunity of change of option is exercised by the employee and pensioner within three months from the date of issue of these orders.

Yours faithfully,

Endst. No. As above.

Copy forwarded to:-

1. The Controller, Printing & Stationery, HP. Shimla-4. It is requested kindly to publish this notification in the HP Rajpratna (Extra-Ordinary) and send copy this notification in the HP Rajpratna (Extra-Ordinary) and send copy to this department.

2. Guard file.

Special Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh
No.HFW-B(a)12-9/79
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh
Health & Family Welfare Department

From:
Commissioner-cum-Secretary(Health) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

1. All Secretaries/ Joint Secretaries/
   Deputy Secretaries/Under Secretaries
   to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
2. All Heads of Departments in H.P.
3. All Divisional Commissioners in H.P.
4. The Chairman, HPSEB, Shimla.
5. All Managing Directors/Secretaries
   of Corporations/Boards in H.P.
6. The Director Health Services, H.P.
   Shimla-171009.
7. The Registrar, HP University, Shimla-5/
   Agriculture University, Palampur/
   Horticulture University, Solan, H.P.
8. The Accountant General, H.P. Shimla-3.

Dated Shimla-171002, the 21/6/96

Subject:-
Grant of fixed medical allowance for
Himachal Pradesh Govt. employees/Pensioners
and their wives/husbands-exercising option of
options- clarification/modifications thereof.

Sir,

I am directed to say that as per existing
instructions an employee at the time of initial appointment
has to exercise an option for availing the facility of
fixed medical allowance and in the absence of such option
he is automatically entitled for open medical reimbursement
as provided in Medical Attendance Rules, 1944. The position
in respect of a retiree is reverse which has been causing
a confusion amongst the retirees and due to unawareness of
this procedure some of the retirees were deprived of the
benefit of open medical reimbursement. A number of such
retirees have been representing to the Govt. to mitigate the
hardship being faced by them. With a view to rationalize
these instructions, the Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is
pleased to order the following modifications therein:-

1. In future open medical reimbursement or fixed
   medical allowance will be admissible on the
   basis of option exercised in writing at the time
   of (i) initial appointment in Govt. service
   (ii) retirement from Govt. service(lll) becoming
   pensioner.
a family pensioner. A family pensioner will be entitled to open medical reimbursement or fixed medical allowance on the basis of the option exercised by the pensioner, till such time the family pensioner exercises such option in writing. In other words, a Govt. servant/retiree has to exercise a specific option for getting either of the two facilities, failing which he will not be entitled to any of the two facilities viz. open medical reimbursement or fixed medical allowance. All the Heads of offices will ensure that Govt. servants/retiree/family pensioners will be asked to exercise a option in this regard.

2. Emp'ees in service at present will continue to draw open medical re-imbursement or fixed medical allowance in accordance with their existing options/instructions.

3. The pensioners who did not exercise any option in the past and are not receiving any fixed medical allowance shall be deemed to have opted for open medical reimbursement and those who received fixed medical allowance shall continue to receive it.

4. A request for change in option may be accepted in individual cases if it is supported by the medical specialist's certificate stating chronology/ gravity of ailment. This request will not be acceded to in a routine manner and shall be allowed in exceptional cases where the administrative department are satisfied that sufficient justification is available for change in the option especially in long term ailments where prolonged outdoor treatment and costly medicines are required for the restoration of health. Such individual cases shall be referred to the Govt. in Health Dept.

You are requested to please bring these instructions to the notice of all concerned and also to ensure that options are asked for invariably as envisaged at Sr. No. 1 above. The existing instructions contrary to the above on the subject shall be deemed modified to this extent.

This issues with the prior concurrence of the H.D. obtained vide their U.O.NO. 774-Fin(C)A(3)-1/91 dated 10.1.1995.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Joint Secretary(Health) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh