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PRIVATE HEALTH SECTOR

This e-bulletin gives an overview of the work done by CEHAT on Private Health Sector with a summary of the present study that CEHAT has completed on Private Health Sector. In addition to this the bulletin also highlights the collection that is available at the Library and Documentation Unit of CEHAT on private health sector.

RESEARCH

CEHAT has been actively involved in initiating reforms in the private health sector. CEHAT has done a wide range of studies on private health sector where it has documented the size, nature and character of the private health sector, assessing the quality of care provided in private sector, documenting existing physical and clinical standards of private clinics and hospitals, formulating minimum standards for healthcare establishments to facilitate regulation, documenting medical malpractice, reviewing ethical norms for medical practice, developing a framework for accreditation for the healthcare system... [Past Studies of CEHAT]

CEHAT was invited by the Government of Maharashtra to facilitate the process of formulating Rules for the Bombay Nursing Home Registration Act (Amendment) 2005. CEHAT took an active role in drafting rules to the BNHRA 2005 after having various consultations with medical associations, consumer groups, rural surgeon's association and health rights organizations... [Work on BNHRA]

CEHAT has been actively involved in initiating reforms in the private health sector. The current project activities are concentrated within the State of Maharashtra, in western region. The current study looked at the existing physical standards and quality of care provided by the private hospitals in Mahrashra. It also supported the implementation of the state legislation for nursing home regulation; promote self-regulation, accreditation and education for the same. [about the present study]

ADVOCACY, EDUCATION & CAMPAIGN

Accreditation initiative in Mumbai: CEHAT collaborated with a group of private medical practitioners (stake holders) who were interested in the issue of accreditation and regulation. The group was called as Forum of health care standards (FHS) where CEHAT was the Convener. The group members came together and discussed on developing standards and advocacy for accreditation system and improving the quality of health care.

The council included a range of stake holders- representative of Hospital owners, professional bodies, consumer organization and NGO's. CEHAT is one among the stake holders involved in the council. CEHAT has been collaborating closely with this council on promoting work related to ethics in the medical community through meetings, consultations, and dissemination of information.

CEHAT has been instrumental in organizing training workshops, campaigns and provide focused inputs to support the Maharashtra government's initiative for implementing the Bombay Nursing Home Registration Act, an act meant for regulation of private medical sector. Advocacy initiatives on the need for minimum standards for quality care, self-regulation and accreditation in each—district of Maharashtra for medical professionals, their associations and consumer groups and documentation of the training and advocacy initiatives as modules which can be used in other states to replicate this process. More

As part of the present study Training workshops were conducted jointly by CEHAT,
Association of Medical Consultants (AMC) and Bombay Nursing Home Owners Association and
Indian Medical Association (IMA) in Mumbai and 4 regions of Maharashtra, which covered selected districts.

CEHAT current study has revealed that that there is low awareness among hospital owners regarding BNHRA and its minimum requirements and also the knowledge about the Accreditation/self - regulation is also low among hospital owners. CEHAT has developed a webpage on BNHRA which gives information about the act, it has a doctors corner and a patients corner. .. [BNHRA on Web]

ADVOCACY MATERIAL

- **Poster**: Charter of Patients' Rights and Responsibilities developed in English and Marathi.
- **Brochure**: A brochure depicting various rights of patients through pictures prepared in English and Marathi.
- © Community Radio As part of advocacy, a talk on community Radio was done on Emergency services & Patients' Rights in Mumbai. This community radio has been launched by the Mumbai University.
- **Web based material on BNHRA:** CEHAT through its present study have developed web based information package on BNHRA and Accreditation, so that doctors can have access to this information. BNHRA
- **Booklet**: A booklet for the private practitioners on accreditation of the private hospitals.





LIBRARY RESOURCES

The Library collection includes *Print and Non-print* material on various subjects of Public health, Health Services, Health policy, Private health sectors, Public health sectors, Hospital Accreditation standards, Health legislation, and others. Rare *Documentaries* are also a part of the collection that are developed by different NGO's. Some *Data CD's* are also available in the collection which are useful for the data study and analysis.



In Non-print collection, Library has a Video coverage of "National Public Consultation with Justice Dr. Anand Organised by Jan Swasthya Abhiyan" on the occasion of 25th Anniversary of Health For all declaration, 2003. This consultation is based on Right to health care.

Multimedia Collection

Documentary Films
Data CD's

Collection also has other NGO reports, publications, pamphlets, brochures who are working on Health and related issues like Jan Swasthya Abhiyan, ACASH, WHO, Prayas, Community Health Cell, VHAI, MFC, SAHAJ, People's Health Movement.

NEW ARRIVALS 2009

In the month of January, February, March and April Library have added collection of books, Documentary films, Data cd's, Journal articles, theses and some posters. It covers different subjects related to CEHAT's research areas. These new arrivals also has collection of NGO reports, papers and publication.

Janu	iary		March
Febr	ruary		April

MULTIMEDIA REVIEW

Health Legislation in India: A Compilation

Health is a State subject and, in many areas, the state government legislations are applicable. Given the enormity of the task of compiling all health related laws, this compilation is restricted to laws applicable at the central level and those related to health and health care issues. Over 200 Acts and Rules in this compilation were collected over a period of time from different sources, too many to be mentioned. Key health related international covenants and guidelines have also been included.

Health Legislation in India: A Compilation

- Acts and Rules
- Covenants and Treaties
- Alphabetical

Health matters: A documentary by Shikha Jhingan

Campaigns to promote health care access and accountability, such as the Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (People's Health Movement), have gathered momentum in India in recent years. Such campaigns who promote health care access and accountability, critiques and demands for reform of the Indian health care system call attention to the neglect of justice and equity concerns. Shikha Jhingan's documentary Health Matters highlights these concerns through the interweaving of narratives and statistics describing the state of the Indian health care system. The film illustrates the manner in which health care services are advertised, treating health and health care as a commodity. It demonstrates the links between health care technologies, standards of care and health care costs.

In conclusion, Shikha Jhingan provides a comprehensive overview of the contemporary Indian health care system. Given the documentary's focus on issues of justice and equity in health care availability and access, it will prove to be particularly useful for health activists and teachers.

Guna Mukhi: Health is a human right

This documentary film focuses on the rejuvenation of the government health care system with the involvement of various village level people's organisations and activities. The film draws rich and first hand experiences from the village women's struggle in restoring the function of a Primary Health Centre in their village.

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CEHAT IN NEWS

WOMEN'S GROUPS SPEAK UP FOR TISS GANG RAPE VICTIM

Times of India - Apr 25, 2009

Members from the Forum Against Oppression of Women, the Women's Center, Awaaz-e-Niswaan and Center for Enquiry into Health and Allied Themes (CEHAT) on ... More

WEMOS FILM ON CLINICAL DRUG TRIALS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Medical experiments are being conducted on society's most vulnerable, says Indian doctor Amar Jesani in Wemos' internetfilm on clinical drug trials in developing countries. Amar Jesani is a medica... More





This film was made during a visit of Dr Jesani to Wemos in September 2008 and produced for Wemos by Lookright films.