REGISTRY FOR CHILDHOOD DIABETES

A registry for Childhood Diabetes has been initiated in Delhi.

The objectives of the Registry are :—

- (i) To provide a central facility for registration of diabetes amongst children in Delhi.
- (ii) To evaluate occurrence of diabetes in childhood, relationship with immunological reaction following an infectious cause.
- (iii) To estimate the inputs for health care provisions in diabetes, a chronic disease in childhood.

Registry of diabetic children is very much required in our country. It will provide information on occurrence of new cases of diabetes and whether these are following an infectious cause. With appropriate amenities being provided better control of diabetes is possible and it will also reduce and prevent late complications. The total inputs required for health care in a chronic disease in childhood will be worked out. This model can then provide insights for future set up for the care of childhood diabetes in the country.

Parents will be educated about the cause, course and prognosis of the disease. Treatment will be supervised by the clinic.

It is proposed that initially a pilot project be started at AIIMS for Delhi state as a registry and also to work out as to how many such instances during actue phase will be related to a preceding infectious cause.

The RSSDI would like to promote more centres in the country that may adopt the functions of the Registry and those desirous of doing so may kindly get in touch with the Secretary of RSSDI for providing the draft proforma being used in this study.

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