No. 3-12019/1/75-CGHS
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
(Department of Health)  
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 9th December, 1976.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Provision of medical facilities to ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents.

The question of provision of medical facilities to ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents has been under consideration of the Government of India for some time. In the cities/areas where Central Government Health Scheme is operating, the ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives/widows and minor children have already been extended the medical facilities under this Scheme vide this Ministry's O.M. of even number dated the 15th June, 1976. Keeping in view the fact that ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents are not entitled to any retirement benefits and recognising the need for providing them adequate medical facilities commensurate with the dignity of the high offices held by them, the Government have now decided that even in cities/areas where the CGHS is not operating, free medical facilities shall be provided for the ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives/widows and minor children. It has further been decided that no contribution shall be recovered from them under the CGHS.

2. The free medical facilities shall be admissible to the ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives/widows and minor children on the following pattern:-

   I. IN CITIES/AREAS WHERE CGHS IS IN OPERATION

   (i) The ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives, widows and
       minor children, residing in cities/areas where CGHS is in operation viz.
       Delhi, Bombay, Allahabad, Meerut, Kanpur, Calcutta, Nagpur, Madras,
       Bangalore, Hyderabad, Patna etc., shall be entitled to the facilities as
       are available under the scheme to the highest ranking Government servants.
       They shall intimate the particulars of the members entitled to the medical
       facilities, viz. name, age and relationship, together with their
       residential address to the local office of the CGHS who will issue them
       the CGHS cards.

   (ii) On their permanent migration from the CGHS Station/area to a
        non-CGHS station/Area, and their ceasing to be eligible for CGHS benefits,
        the CGHS token will be returned to the local office of the CGHS forthwith.

   (iii) During their temporary stay at a non-CGHS station, they may
         avail themselves of the medical facilities mentioned in part II below.

   II. IN CITIES/AREAS WHERE CGHS IS NOT IN OPERATION

   (i) The ex-Governors and ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives/widows and
       minor children shall be entitled to medical attendance and treatment at
       their residence by a medical officer in employ of Government or in employ

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of a hospital/nursing home recognised by Government practising any system
of medicine;

Provided that a medical officer shall be called from outside the
State in which an ex-Governor/ex-Vice-President is residing only on the
advice of the Director of Medical Services or other corresponding Officer
in the State concerned.

(ii) The Medical attendance and treatment for this purpose will
include medical consultation, cost of medicine, such pathological,
bacteriological, radiological or other methods of examination at a
Government or recognised hospital/laboratory/clinic as the medical officer
concerned prescribes for the purpose of diagnosis an surgical operations.

(iii) Ex-Governors/ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives/ widows and minor
children shall also be entitled to medical treatment and attendance in all
Government hospital/nursing homes and also hospitals and nursing homes
recognised by Government.

(iv) All expenses on account of medical attendance and treatment
incurred by ex-Governors/ex-Vice-Presidents, their wives and widows and
minor children will be reimbursed to them on their furnishing to the
Director General of Health Services, a certificate from the concerned
Medical Officer/Hospital indicating the nature and duration of illness,
together with the Cash Memos in respect of various admissible items of
expenditure attested by the concerned Medical Officer/Medical
Superintendent of the hospital.

(v) The Dte.G.H.S. will scrutinise the claim and forward his
recommendation to the Department of Health who will convey sanction for
payment of the amount as may be found due.

(vi) The expenditure on this account will be borne by the Central
Government and will be debited to the Head of account '260 - Medical'.

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance vice
their U.O. No.3573/EV(B)/76, dated 10.9.1976.

4. This is in supersession of the orders contained in this Ministry's
O.M. of even No. dated 15th June, 1976.

Sd/-
(N.S.Bhatia)
Under Secretary
To
All State Govts./All Acctt.Generals/ Dte.GHS/ Director(CGHS/etc.
50 spare copies to Ministry of Home Affairs for communication to
ex-Governors and ex-Vice Presidents.

Copy forwarded to the Deputy Press information Officer, Ministry of
Health and Family Planning, R.No.A-247, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi for
issuing a suitable press note in the matter.