

PC PNDT ACT

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Guidelines for SAFETY from PCPCPNDT Rules

Qualification

Gynaecologist MD/MS/DGO, Sonologist, Imaging Specialist, Radiologist or Registered Medical Practitioner having Post Graduate degree or diploma or six months training or one year experience in sonography. (Rules 3.(3)1a & b)

Registration

Display a copy of the Registration Certificate (Form B) at a conspicuous place at the US clinic (Rules 6.(2))

An enquiry including inspection at the premises of the Genetic Clinic, shall, be carried out only after due notice is Given to the applicant by the Appropriate Authority for initial registration only. (Rule 6.4)

Renewal of registration

Renewal of registration should be 30 days before the expiry, in "Form A" in duplicate. (Rule8.1)

Renewal Fee is half of fresh registration fee. (Rule8.4)

Failure to renew or to communicate rejection for renewal of registration within a period of ninety days from the date of receipt of application for renewal, the certificate of registration shall be deemed to have been renewed. (Rule8.6)

Maintenance and preservation of records:

*Genetic Clinic shall maintain a register showing, in serial order, the names and addresses of the women given Genetic counseling, subjected to pre-natal diagnostic procedures or pre-natal diagnostic tests, the names of their husbands or fathers and the date on which they first reported for such counselling, procedure or test. (Rule9.1)

* For Genetic Counselling Centre: Patient records shall be kept as specified in FORM-D (Rule9.2)

*For Genetic Laboratory: Patient records shall be kept as specified in FORM-E (Rule9.3)

*For Genetic/US Clinic Patient records shall be kept as specified in FORM-F (Rule9.4)

*Every Genetic Clinic/Ultrasound Clinic shall send a complete report in respect of all pre-conception or pregnancy related procedures/ techniques/tests conducted by them in respect of each month by 5th day of the following month to the concerned Appropriate Authority even zero report. (Rule9.8)

Procedure for search and seizure.-

*The Appropriate Authority or any officer authorized in this behalf may enter and search at all reasonable times any Genetic Counselling Centre, Genetic Laboratory or Genetic Clinic, in the presence of two or more independent and respectable persons for the purposes of Section 30.(Rule 12.1)

*They can check any document, record, register, book, pamphlet, advertisement or any other material object (Machine) found in the Genetic Counselling Centre, Genetic Laboratory or Genetic Clinic.(Rule 12.2)

*In the case of non-completion of search and seizure operation, the Appropriate Authority or the officer authorized in this behalf may make arrangement, by way of mounting a guard or sealing of the premises of the Genetic Counselling Centre, Genetic Laboratory or Genetic Clinic, for safe keeping, listing and removal of documents, records, book or any other material object to be seized, and to prevent any tampering with such documents, records, books or any other material object.(Rule 12.5).

Intimation of changes in employees, place or equipment

Every Genetic Clinic shall intimate every change (Addition/Removal) of employee, place, address and equipment installed, in advance by 30 days of such change and seeking reissuance of Certificate of Registration with the changes duly incorporated by the Appropriate Authority. New Registration not required (Rule 13)

Public Information.-

DISCLOSURE OF THE SEX OF FOETUS IS PROHIBITED UNDER LAW. Display this notice BOTH in English AND Local language prominently.(Rule17.1)

Keep and make available on request at least ONE copy of the PCPNDT Act and Rules to your clientele for perusal.(Rule17.2)

Code of Conduct

*Wear NAME TAG yourself and every employee working at the US Clinic. Write full name and designation under signatures. (Rule18-viii & ix)

*Should not indulge in SEX DETERMINATION & FEMALE FETICIDE and do not commit any other act of professional misconduct. (Rule18-x & xi)

Appeal

Appeal against charge sheet can be filed to DAC / SAC within 30 days and decision has to be taken within 90 days (Rule19-1-3). Build pressure of the association for early release.

Some GOOD precautions that are NOT specifically mentioned in the PCPNDT Rules:

1. Prominently display the Ultrasonography Timings.
2. Get painted 'ULTRASOUND ROOM/CHAMBER' on the outside of the room where the equipment is housed.
3. DO NOT let an unauthorized person use the machine. All NON-MBBS doctors are UNAUTHORIZED.
4. Make arrangements that records can be inspected in your absence even if the machine is locked for safety.