Dear Sir/Madam,

You may be aware that Government of India has launched the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission to create a national digital health ecosystem and bridge the existing gap amongst different stakeholders of Healthcare ecosystem through digital highways.

2. One of the key components of this Mission is preparation of a nationwide Health Professional Registry. The Indian Nursing Council and State Nursing Councils (SNCs) have already started implementing the Nurse Registration and Tracking System (NRTS) to maintain the Live Register of Nurses, which will form a part of the Health Professional Registry under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission.

3. Although the majority of already registered Nurses' data have been enrolled/ported to the NRTS integrated web portal (https://nrts.indiannursingcouncil.gov.in), Primary Registration of newly passed nursing students is not being done directly in the NRTS portal, thereby defeating the very purpose of a Live Register of Nurses.

4. You will appreciate that the NRTS not only facilitates policy planners at Centre and State by providing administrative unit (State/District/Tehsil) wise and also Specialty-wise accurate and up to date data of nurses available, but is also beneficial to the registered nurses by cutting down the procedural delays involved in registration and helps in reciprocal registration of nurses for seamless/transparent migration of Nurses from one State to another.

5. May I, therefore, request you to direct the State Nursing Council of your State/UT to adopt the NRTS for all types of Registrations of Nurses in your State/UT so that correct data of nurses can be used as part of the Health Professional Registry as envisaged in the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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