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Government of India  
Ministry of Women & Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001.

Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2013

To

The Secretaries in-charge of ICDS of all States / UTs

Subject: Operational Guidelines for Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) - Child Health Screening and Early Intervention Services under NRHM

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to inform that the Government of India (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) has launched a new initiative, Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) with a view to improve survival, growth and development of children. The focus of RBSK will be on screening of infants, children and young adults over the period from birth to 18 years of age for defects at birth, diseases, deficiencies, development delays and disabilities. The operational guidelines on RBSK brought out by the M/o H & FW are enclosed for perusal.

2. Secretary, M/o Health and Family Welfare has already written to Chief Secretaries of all State Governments vide his letter No. Z.28020/145/2012-CH (Part) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2013 impressing upon the need for ensuring effective coordinated plan of action amongst various departments to ensure child survival and child health. It is requested that necessary follow up action may kindly be taken for necessary action as per the endorsed operational guidelines and the suggested course of action as outlined by Health Secretary in his letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2013.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Shipra Roy)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

**Encl: As above.**

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2. Director, ICDS (in-charge) of all States / UTs.

Secretary (Health & FW)  
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