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FOREWORD

Health conditions of the society have direct bearing on its socio-economic development and general well being of the people. Every country is trying their best to get their people healthy and have been adopting different policies and programmes suitable to meet their requirements. Health information is the backbone for efficient policy making and planning for various developmental programmes aimed at bringing further improvement in health sector.

WHO Family of International Classifications (FIC) provides a valuable tool to compile health information on an internationally accepted standard and uniform platform. Govt. of India being signatory to the World Health Assembly has already ratified the use of FIC (ICD-10 & ICF) for coding morbidity, mortality, functions, disability & related health aspects; and is committed to its implementation in the country. In India, being a vast country, continued education and training on FIC for medical, nursing and paramedical functionaries is a challenging task. The CBHI by involving the concerned experts and through their experience has evolved a very effective mechanism of preparation, organization and conducting of trainings and has been organizing various in-service training programmes very efficiently & effectively.

The CBHI has done a commendable job in compiling the experiences and mechanism for planning, organizing, conducting & evaluating the training programmes in their efforts to develop trained manpower in the country. I appreciate all the officers and staff of CBHI for their commendable contributions and hope that this valuable document containing the valuable Indian experiences will serve as a guideline for other countries in successfully organizing and conducting their FIC (ICD-10 & ICF) trainings.


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