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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Sub: Establishment of Tobacco Cessation Centers in All Medical Colleges.**

In accordance with the Operational Guidelines launched on May 31, 2024, on World No Tobacco Day, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, in collaboration with the National Medical Commission, is initiating the establishment of Tobacco Cessation Centres (TCCs) in all medical colleges across India. These centres will be critical in advancing public health by assisting individuals in quitting tobacco use and thus reducing tobacco-related diseases.

2. As part of the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 2.0, the National Medical Commission mandates that all medical colleges under its jurisdiction must establish a Tobacco Cessation Center. The centres should be operationalized as soon as possible, with comprehensive guidance provided via a scheduled webinar.

**Key Points:**

- i. A webinar will be held on **August 20, 2024**, from **02:00 PM to 03:30 PM** to orient all medical institutes regarding the setup and management of these centres.
  - ii. Participation in the webinar is **mandatory** for all medical institutes to ensure effective implementation of the TCCs.
  - iii. The Tobacco Cessation Centres are to be officially launched virtually by the Hon'ble Health Minister during the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 2.0.
  - iv. All medical colleges must comply with the guidelines and ensure that their Tobacco Cessation Centres are fully operational in a timely manner.
3. Detailed programme of the webinar is enclosed. Link for the aforementioned webinar will be shared in due course.
4. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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