Diagnostic Health Care: Tele-clinic project

The rural areas and tier 3 cities in India have limited access to quality health care. Millions of Indians cannot afford their healthcare expenditure as 70% of such payments made are out of pockets (direct payments).

The idea of E-clinic is to reduce the distance between remote locations and pathological labs which are located in cities. It also reduces the distances between primary health centres located in rural areas and doctors who are in cities. This is done by setting up mobile, patient monitoring station to measure vitals to help doctors at remote location to guide in a right direction and also integrating with pathological labs to perform basic test at ground level. This healthcare system connects people in remote areas to measure body vitals, eye check, heart issues, diabetic screening and basic pathology to be sent over to experts at distant location for guidance. The benefits include receiving the health services at doorsteps, reducing the expenditure on getting a treatment. The person will only spend the money when needed. Thus it helps in the penetration of low cost health care services to the earlier unreachable population in Gujarat.

The proposed healthcare model, E-clinic, will be set up in the remote locations of Gujarat. This model will also analyse the medical needs of the people. The target population will be rural poor who cannot afford basic healthcare and do not know their medical problems.

The health check up camp will be operating for 1 day or 2 days depending upon the requirement. The camp will be set up in a particular building premise (mostly school/panchayats area) on a particular day as per the schedule. The following services are provided:

- Screening Health Checks
- Diabetic Screening and Detection Program
- Awareness and detection of AIDS
- Dental check up and Oral Cancer Screening
- Respiratory Issues and Asthma Screening
- Eye Check Up(Retinopathy , Glaucoma , Cataract)
- Cardiac Care and Screening
- Single ID for Patients
- Referral to local hospitals/CHC/Tertiary Hospitals
- Follow up and tracking patients

In order to initiate this project, a person from the community will be trained to mobilize people for health checkups. SLK Tech Labs is the technical partner of this project. They will carry out health screening of people through the IT enabled medical equipment. Consequently, they will compile and transfer the collected samples to Pathology Labs in cities. Pathological labs will perform diagnosis based on the data received. All the stakeholders are connected through a single IT Tele Clinic Platform towards ID management and health records for diagnosis and references. Sponsor Company would have the rights to access their patient records lifelong and can deliver hard copy reports as per needs.

Note: The project is covered under Schedule 7 of section 135 of Companies Act, 2013. The companies who undertake this project through GCSRA will obtain CSR compliance certificate from the Authority. Interested companies may contact pm@gcsra.org