Islamabad, the 20th March 2020

Subject: ENSURING PRESCRIPTION BASED SALE OF CHLOROQUINE PHOSPHATE CONTAINING DOSAGE FORMS.

Due to emergent situation of SAARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) pandemic, it has been observed that few elements are hoarding the stocks of certain drugs including chloroquine phosphate containing dosage forms (injection, tablets and syrup). This is against Islamic and ethical principles. Availability of all medicines is to be ensured throughout the country specially chloroquine phosphate containing dosage forms by taking following measures:

a. Chloroquine Phosphate containing dosage forms (injection, tablets and syrup) shall be sold at the licensed pharmacies, drug/medical stores only on prescription basis.

b. All licensed sale points shall maintain record of the prescriptions of a registered physician/consultant for Chloroquine Phosphate containing dosage forms (injection, tablets and syrup) on which this drug is sold.

2. Provincial drug control administrations are requested to take necessary steps for ensuring abovementioned measures.

3. This issues on the directions of CEO, DRAP.

Distribution:

1. Chief Drug Controller, Punjab
2. Chief Drug Controller, Gilgit Baltistan
3. Chief Drug Inspectors, KPK
4. Chief Drug Inspectors, Sindh
5. Chief Drug Inspectors, Baluchistan
6. Senior Drug Inspector, JCT
7. Additional Director, QA&LT Islamabad
8. Additional Directors, E&M (Lahore, Peshawar, Karachi)
9. Office Incharge, Quetta
10. PS to CEO, DRAP

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