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**Subject: Identification of training sites for VIA training.**

Dear .....

This is with reference to the program of Universal screening for Common Non-communicable Diseases: Hypertension, Diabetes and Common Cancers (Oral, Breast, Cervix). Two batches of training of trainers (ToT) for Staff Nurses were organized by National Health Systems Resource Centre from May 16<sup>th</sup> to May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and May 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 in New Delhi. As you are aware, the staff nurses are expected to undertake Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA). Demonstrations were conducted during the ToT and each participant was given a chance to practice VIA. There is still a need to build the skills of Staff Nurses to reach the competency level. This is important as they are required to conduct independent screening for all women of age 30 and above.

As per the Operational Guidelines for Universal screening of Common Non-communicable disease: Hypertension, Diabetes and Common Cancers (Oral, Breast, Cervix) (page 14), Staff Nurses require two weeks of training on VIA at District Hospital/tertiary care institutions. We now request the state to identify suitable training sites. If the faculty of the identified training sites require an orientation cum skill building session, please let us know.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Sincerely,

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