

Rugna Hakka Samiti

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To
Dilip Sarada
President
IMA, Pune

Subject: IMA's support to Patients' Rights

Dear Dr. Sarada,

Greetings from Rugna Hakka Samiti!

This is in continuation of our earlier letter to you dated 3rd August. In this letter, we had complimented you for participating in the Patients' Rights Convention on 19th July to declare IMA's support to the Standard Charter of Patients' Rights, which was enunciated in this convention. As a follow up of this interaction we had requested as IMA President, –

- To communicate your support to the Standard Charter of Patients' Rights to all your members may be through your in-house journal – IMATES and to urge your members to implement this Charter in letter and spirit.
- To appeal hospitals to start observing these rights voluntarily and this too can be widely publicized so that other doctors would follow this lead.
- To make a press statement supporting the Charter of Patients' Rights so that the press can widely publicize this for the benefit of the citizens
- To advise IMA members to cooperate with the subcommittees of Rugna Hakka Samiti (soon to be formed), which would interact with hospitals in the respective areas as regards observance of Standard Charter of Patients' Rights.

In our recent conversation you had told Dr. Anant Phadke that you would take this up after 15th Nov'09. We trust that IMA would come out with a definite plan to foster the voluntary observance of these rights in hospitals run by their members. Please let us know when and how you plan to go about it. We can meet to discuss this. Pl let us know when.

Looking forward to your positive response,

Thanking you.
Sincerely yours,

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