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Head of Department Anesthesiology

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**PROSEDUR EPIDURAL UNTUK ACUTE PAIN SERVICE (POST-OPERATIVE)**

With kind reference to the above matter and your letter dated 5 March 2015.

2. Based on the discussion with relevant healthcare professional bodies, we would like to make the following clarifications:

- 2.1. The procedure epidural is an important Acute pain service provided to patients as a modality for post operative pain relieve especially after a patient have undergone a procedure under General Anesthesia (GA) or Regional Anesthesia (RA);
- 2.2. As mention by your goodsel self epidural procedure needs specialized skills and techniques to perform the procedure and requires close observation to identify any complication arising from this procedure; and
- 2.3. Based on the rationalization given in para 2.1 and 2.2, the procedure epidural can be charged as stipulated in the 13<sup>th</sup> Schedule as an Acute Pain Service provided to the patient.

3. However there shall not be any charges for local anesthesia infiltration given as post operative pain relieve after patient have undergone any procedure under GA or RA.

Thank you.

**"BERKHIDMAT UNTUK NEGARA"**

Yours sincerely,

**(DR. AHMAD RAZID BIN SALLEH)**

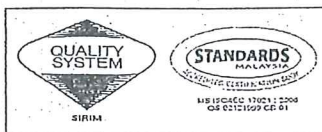
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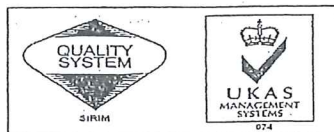
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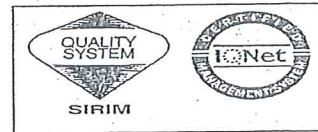
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