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Department of Health Services, "Suwasiripaya" 385, Baddegama Wimalawansa Mawatha, Colombo 10.

29th April, 2002.

All Provincial Secretaries of Health Services, All Provincial Directors of Health Services, All Heads of Decentralised Units, Specialised Campaigns, Directors of Teaching Hospitals and Heads of Institutions of the Ministry of Health.

## Mandatory reporting of Histologically confirmed Malignancies

The Advisory Committee on Cancer Control, after reviewing the trends of malignancies in the country, has emphasized the importance of maintaining a registry for all malignancies. Currently the register maintained is only institutional based.

The Advisory Committee recommended the maintenance of a pathologist based registry in addition to the currently maintained institutional based registry. This should include the data from both the private and the public sectors as well as the universities.

The Department therefore has decided to make reporting of all malignancies mandatory.

You are requested to report all malignancies to;

The Director,

National Cancer Control Programme, Po Box 10.

Maharagama,

in the format which will be issued to you by the Director/NCCP monthly.

The Heads of Institutions are required to ensure that duly filled formats are returned monthly.

Dr. A.M.L. Beligaswatte

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