

Handbook To Establish Model Enterprise Clinic At RMG Industries in Bangladesh

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Preface

The International Labour Organization (ILO), in collaboration with the Ministry of Labour & Employment and Employers' Associations in Bangladesh, including BGMEA, BKMEA, and BEF, is working to establish effective Enterprise Clinics within factories. CMED Health as a knowledge partner has developed a handbook with checklist to guide employers in creating and maintaining model enterprise clinics. This handbook provides guidelines for implementing Enterprise Clinics in factories. The guidelines are based on relevant provisions in Bangladesh Labour Act and Labour Rules and aim to ensure compliance with government regulations and also address the specific needs and challenges of each size category. The Handbook with Checklist offers stakeholders' suggestions as good practices for healthcare facilities within factories, emphasizing the importance of aligning with government regulations and considering the unique requirements of different production processes. The ready-made garment sector in Bangladesh is the primary focus of this initiative due to its significant contribution to the country's exports and being exemplary for other 41 sectors.

To ensure the well-being and safety of workers in Bangladesh, the implementation of the Employment Injury Scheme and the enhancement of Enterprise Clinics in RMG factories are essential. A collective approach based on industrial solidarity can help reduce costs. Gaps between large and small factories in terms of healthcare facilities, availability of doctors, and knowledge regarding workplace diseases and injuries can be minimized through innovative solutions, collaborations, and capacity building for healthcare staff, these are necessary for the success of Enterprise Clinics and the overall improvement of workers' health conditions in the ready-made garment sector.

The active participation and contribution of implementing partners Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA), the Bangladesh Knitwear Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BKMEA), and the Department of Inspection for Factories and Establishments (DIFE) under the Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoLE), workers organizations including NCCWE and IBC, in the development and review of the handbook have been useful. The incorporation of their insights, industry knowledge, and expertise has greatly enhanced the handbook's practicality and relevance. While developing the Handbook on Model Enterprise Clinics, other key stakeholders including Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Central Fund- MoLE, Department of Labour (DoL), World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Bangladesh Employers Federation (BEF), German Technical Corporation Agency (GIZ), Business for Social Responsibilities (BSR), Change Associates, PRIMARK, Centre for Disability in Development (CDD), Centre for rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP), Research and Policy Integration for Development (RAPID), Policy Research Institute (PRI), Gonoshasthaya Kendra (GSK), Swisscontact, MSF and several physicians and compliance managers working at different RMG industries were engaged in a detailed bilateral discussion to get their perspective on Enterprise Clinics. Their suggestions on major elements of Enterprise Clinics as well as other perspectives are included in the relevant part in the guidelines section.

Factory-based health facilities: a win - win for all



Service / Provision

Preventive Care & Health Screening

Consultation for Primary Care

Equipment, Medicine & Consumable Products

Acute Workplace Injury Management

Secondary Referral

Rehabilitation

Health Awareness

Immunization

Employers



Prevent workplace diseases



vent Low splace absenteeism



Healthy workforce



Health facility at workplace



Workers

Convenience Cost effective health service



Healthy workforce in country



Government

Better productivity



Lower pressure on government hospitals



Cost saving on government health facilities



Improved productivity



Improved employer-worker relationship



Better health



Ease of mind



Higher productivity



Increase employment opportunities for healthcare workers



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cunities for commitments



Regular information on worker's health



Low staff turnover rate



Improved ownership of work



Good relation with employer

Segmentation of Enterprise Clinic (EC)

Based on relevant Provisions in Bangladesh Labour Law and Rules, Enterprise Clinics at factories are divided into 7 groups depending on the size of the workers and remain aligned with ground realities.

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Enterprise Clinic	Type - 1	Type - 2	Type - 3	Type - 4	Type - 5	Type - 6	Type - 7	
Attributes		○ Pharmacy	◆ Pharmacy	☼ Pharmacy	⊕ Pharmacy			
Industry Size	Small	Small	Medium	Large	Large	Large	Large	
Employee Size	1 - 299	300 - 499	500 - 1199	1200 - 2999	3000 - 4999	5000 - 7500	7500+	
Area	N/A	Min. 120 sqft	120-180 sqft	Min. 180 sqft	Min. 240 sqft	Min. 360 sqft	Min. 360+ sqft	
Doctor	None	1	1	1	2 (1 Female preferable)	2+ (1 Female preferable)	3+ (1 Female preferable)	
Nurse	None	1	1 1*	1	2	2+	3+	
Paramedic	None	1	1	1	2	2+	3+	
Support Staff	None	1	1	1	2	2+	3+	
First aid Provider	1 Employee tr	1 Employee trained in first aid managing each box/ almirah at each workroom wearing a first aid provider badge						

Reference: BLR 76, BLR 77, BLR 78

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Enterprise Clinic Charter



- EC charter need to be available at:
 - Entry gate of the industry
 - Infront of EC
- EC charter need to be:
 - Printed on PVC board
 - Minimum Size: 1.5 sqft * 1 sqft
- Components of EC Charter:
 - Service Hours, as per working hours of the factory
 - Assisted telemedicine Number (if available, for beyond working hours. e.g.
 Shastho Batayan 16263)
 - Name and Phone Number of the Emergency Contact at EC
 - Name and phone number of contact person for 24/7 ambulance
 - Name and Address of Secondary Referral center
 - Name and phone number of contact person at Secondary Referral Center
 - Name and phone number of Welfare officer to notify if service is not satisfactory



Furniture, Equipment, Medicine & Consumables



First Aid Box/ Cupboard/ Almirah marked with Red Crescent or Cross symbol



Wheelchair availability



Updated list of expiring medicine & replacement consumables, equiepment



Medicine, equipment & first aid consumables as per employee size

Health Services



First aid



List of hospital / clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral

Human Resource



1 designated person trained in primary aid



Refresher training for the designated person for first aid and Basic Life Support as and when needed

Data Management & Reporting



Healthcare Committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook



Infrastructure & Utilities







OPD with medicine dispensary



Located away from sections producing noise









Biomedical waste

Health Services



Primary care



visuals/awareness session/ PA

system announcement/ leaflets)



Treatment of common illness & workplace injury at OPD



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk



management



Generator Connection



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/ clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price

Human Resource



1 Doctor with **BMDC** registration (Partially physical, minimum 1 day in a week)



1 Trained nurse



1 Trained Paramedic/Dresser (Female preferable)



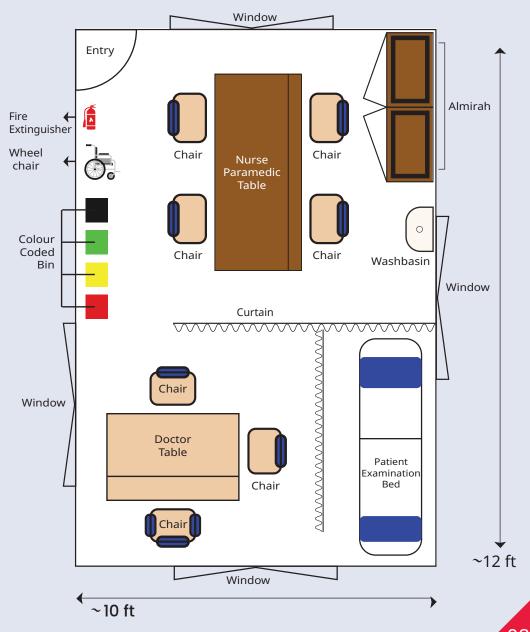
1 Support Staff



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed









Infrastructure & Utilities







OPD with medicine dispensary



Located away from sections producing noise









Biomedical waste management



Generator Connection

Health Services



Primary care



Awareness creation (counseling/ visuals/awareness session/ PA system announcement/ leaflets)



Treatment of common illness & workplace injury at OPD



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/ clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center

Human Resource



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price



1 Doctor with BMDC registration (Partially physical, minimum 3 day in a week)



1 Trained nurse



1 Trained Paramedic/Dresser (Female preferable)

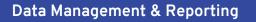


1 Support Staff



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed







All Records of treatment history & workplace injur preserved



Healthcare committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook

Cross-Cutting Areas



Good quality of cleanliness maintained



Proper use of PPE by general staff as preventive care



Adequate measures to protect against infectious disease



Proper use of PPE during duty by clinical staffs as preventive care

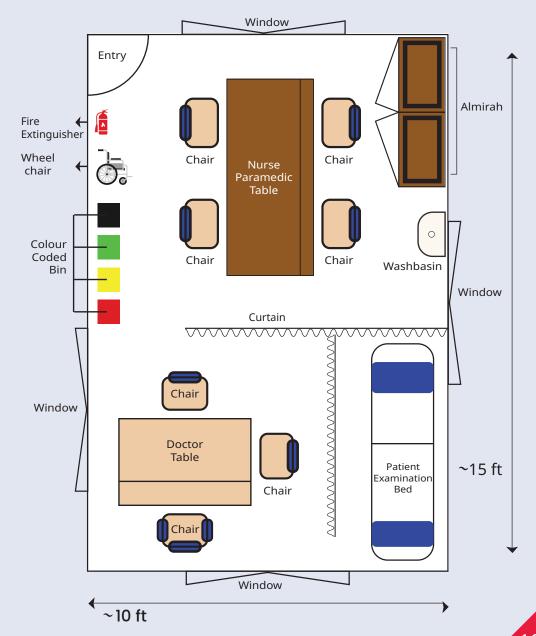


Figure 3: Sample EC type 3 Structure



Infrastructure & Utilities











OPD with medicine dispensary



Located away from sections producing noise









Biomedical waste management



Generator Connection

Health Services



Primary care



Awareness creation (counseling/ visuals/awareness session/ PA system announcement/ leaflets)



Treatment of common illness & workplace injury at OPD



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/ clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center

Human Resource



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price

1 Doctor with **BMDC** registration (full time)



1 Trained nurse (full-time)



1 Trained Paramedic/Dresser (full-time) (Female preferable)



1 Support Staff



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed







All Records of treatment history & workplace injur preserved



Healthcare Committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook

Cross-Cutting Areas



Good quality of cleanliness maintained



Proper use of PPE by general staff as preventive care



Proper use of PPE during duty by clinical staffs as preventive care



Adequate measures to protect against infectious disease



Healthcare workers satisfied with service delivery



Employees are aware with service offering

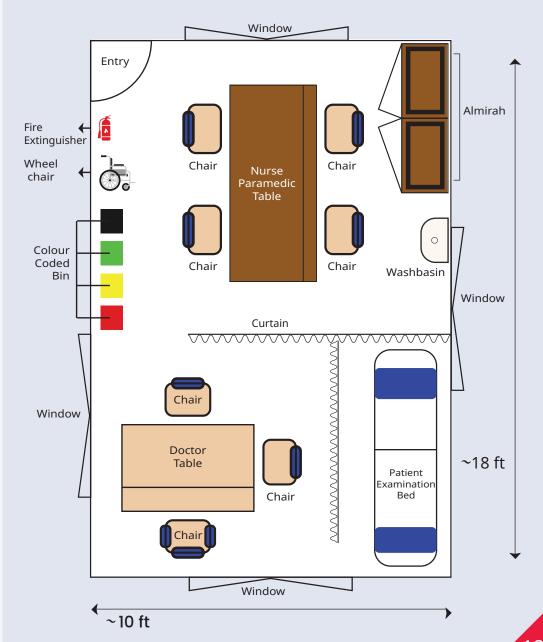


Figure 4: Sample EC type 4 Structure















OPD with



Located away from medicine dispensary sections producing noise









Biomedical waste management



Generator Connection

Health Services







Awareness creation (counseling/ visuals/awareness session/ PA system announcement/ leaflets)



Treatment of common illness & workplace injury at OPD



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/ clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center

Human Resource



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price

2 Doctor with BMDC registration (full time)



2 Trained nurse (full-time)



2 Trained Paramedic/ Dresser (full-time) (Female preferable)



2 Support Staff (full-time)



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed







All Records of treatment history & workplace injur preserved



Healthcare Committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook

Cross-Cutting Areas



Good quality of cleanliness maintained



Proper use of PPE by general staff as preventive care



Proper use of PPE during duty by clinical staffs as preventive care



Adequate measures to protect against infectious disease



Healthcare workers satisfied with service delivery



Employees are aware with service offering

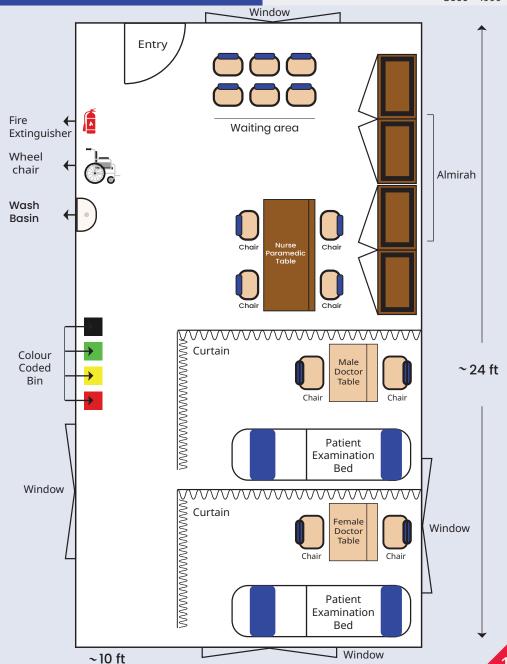


Figure 5: Sample EC type 5 Structure



Infrastructure & Utilities







Size minimum 360 Sqft



Located away from sections producing noise



OPD with waiting area



1 isolation bed







Dressing Room



Medicine Store





Biomedical waste management



Generator Connection

Health Services



Primary care



Awareness creation (counseling/visual/ awareness session/PA system announcement/leaflets)



Treatment of common illness, workplace injury at OPD



Pre and post delivery service (ANC & PNC) at OPD & IPD



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD



Acute workplace injury management At IPD



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center



Regular working hour & overtime hour coverage



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price

Human Resource



2+ Doctor with **BMDC** registration (full time)



2+ Trained nurse (full-time)



2+ Trained Paramedic/Dresser (full-time) (Female preferable)



2+ Support Staff (full-time)



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed



Data Management & Reporting



All Records of treatment history & workplace injur preserved



Healthcare committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook

Cross-Cutting Areas



Good quality of cleanliness maintained



Proper use of PPE by general staff as preventive care



Proper use of PPE during duty by clinical staffs as preventive care



Adequate measures to protect against infectious disease



Healthcare workers satisfied with service delivery



Employees are aware with service offering

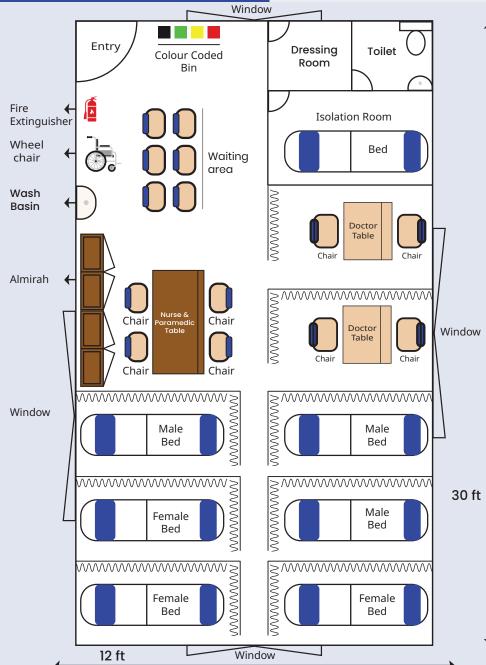


Figure 6: Sample EC type 6 Structure



Infrastructure & Utilities



360+ Sqft





Located away from sections producing noise



OPD with waiting area



1 isolation bed





Awareness creation (counseling/visual/

announcement/leaflets)



Treatment of common illness awareness session/PA system workplace injury at OPD

Health Services



Pre and post delivery service (ANC & PNC) at OPD & IPD



Advise of physical therapy by doctors related to OH/ workplace accident at OPD







Medicine Store





Biomedical waste

management



Generator Connection



Primary

care

Acute workplace injury management At IPD



Any suitable transport arrangement to ensure secondary referral



List of hospital/clinic/ diagnostic center as secondary referral center



Regular working hour & overtime hour coverage



Eye & Hearing Screening for workers at risk

Equipment, Furniture, Medicine & Consumables



Dressing

Room

Equipment & furniture as per BLA & BLR



Updated list of expiring medicine, consumables, equiepment & replacement





Medicine & Consumables as per BLA & BLR



Health products at subsidized price

Human Resource



3+ Doctor with **BMDC** registration (full time)



3+ Trained nurse (full-time)



3+ Trained Paramedic/ Dresser (full-time) (Female preferable)



3+ Support Staff (full-time)



Refresher training on family planning, reproductive health, mental health & nutrition as and when needed







All Records of treatment history & workplace injur preserved



Healthcare committee



Checklist & action planning as per Handbook

Cross-Cutting Areas



Good quality of cleanliness maintained



Proper use of PPE by general staff as preventive care



Proper use of PPE during duty by clinical staffs as preventive care



Adequate measures to protect against infectious disease



Healthcare workers satisfied with service delivery



Employees are aware with service offering

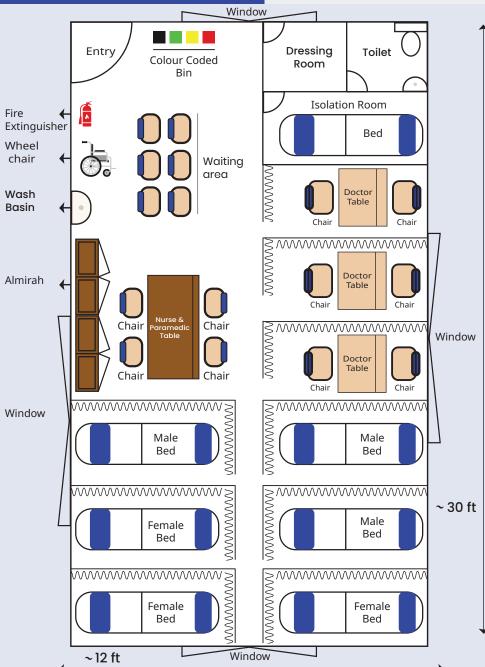


Figure 7: Sample EC type 7 Structure



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