STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION associated with Covid-19

Let’s break down common myths and misconceptions causing stigma of patients, returnees, front line and essential workers.

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Front line workers are performing a valuable service to everyone by helping make sure this disease does not spread further.

Let’s extend our support and help to front line workers who are keeping us safe.

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**MISCONCEPTION**

Front line workers are high risk and infect the public.

**FACT**

Doctors, nurses, police, drivers and other frontline workers do not pose any increased risk if YOU maintain your personal protection measures.

Not all front line workers come in direct contact with infected people.

High risk front line workers

- Use prescribed PPE
- Test for Covid-19 regularly
- Undergo quarantine regularly
Patients deal with depression, fear of death and more. The psychological trauma affects them more than the disease.

Let’s be compassionate and stop the discrimination.

**STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION of COVID-19 PATIENTS**

**MISCONCEPTION**
If you get infected you will not survive because there is no cure for Covid-19.

**FACT**
Covid-19 is not a death sentence. There is no cure, however most patients recover with basic care and proper nutrition.

80% or more have mild symptoms or do not show any symptoms. Many states in India and around the world advise home quarantine for such patients.

Till date, the overall fatality rate of Covid-19 in India is around 2 to 3% and these were mostly older people with pre-existing medical conditions.

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