

AYUSHMAN BHARAT HEALTH ACCOUNT APP RELAUNCHED

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The National Health Authority (NHA), under its flagship scheme of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), on Tuesday announced the launch of a revamped Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) mobile application.

The ABHA app, previously known as the NDHM Health Records app, is available on the Google Play Store and already has over four lakh downloads. The updated version of the app has a new user interface (UI) and added functionalities that enable individuals to access their health records anytime and anywhere. The existing ABHA app users can also update their previous app versions to the latest one.

Allows self-uploading

The ABHA app enables an individual to create an ABHA address (username@abdm), an easy-to-remember username that can be linked with the 14-digit randomly generated ABHA number. It also enables users to link their health records created at an ABDM-compliant health facility and view them on their smartphones.

It allows self-uploading of physical health records in the ABDM-compliant health lockers, along with sharing of digital health records such as diagnostic reports, prescriptions and CoWIN vaccination certificate after the consent of an individual through the ABDM network.

In addition to this, the app has new functionalities such as edit profile and link and unlink ABHA number (14 digit) with ABHA address. Other functionalities such as login via face and fingerprint authentication and ability to scan QR code at the counter of the ABDM-compliant facility for express registration shall also be released soon.

R.S. Sharma, CEO, National Health Authority (NHA), said: "The ABHA app will be instrumental in helping citizens to create their longitudinal health records."

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