

Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 16 April 2004)

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

1. Way forward on the regulation of health care personnel not currently subject to statutory registration

At the Panel meeting on 13 May 2002, Hon Michael MAK suggested that this item should be given priority for discussion early in the 2002-03 legislative session.

2nd quarter of
2004

2. Drug and treatment for retinal disorders

At the Panel meeting on 8 March 2004, Hon CHAN Yuen-han suggested that this item should be given priority for discussion.

2nd quarter of
2004

3. Requiring doctors to purchase insurance to indemnify patients for medical negligence or malpractice as a condition to practise medicine

At the Panel meeting on 8 March 2004, Hon CHAN Yuen-han suggested that this item should be given priority for discussion.

2nd quarter of
2004

4. Provision of primary care

At the Panel meeting of 8 April 2002, the Administration agreed to brief members on the provision of primary care in the future.

2nd quarter of
2004

5. Studies on long term health care financing

Item proposed by the Administration.

2nd quarter of
2004

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for discussion**

6. Long term planning on the provision of hospital facilities on a territory-wide basis

Item proposed by the Administration.

2nd quarter of
2004

7. Utilisation of the Training and Welfare Fund for the Hospital Authority

The Administration agreed at the meeting of the Finance Committee on 27 June 2003 to report on an annual basis to the Panel on Health Services on the utilisation of the Training and Welfare Fund for HA.

2nd quarter of
2004

8. Rehabilitation services for discharged mental patients

Item proposed by the Administration.

2nd quarter of
2004

9. Adjustment of monthly allowance for HA staff appointed on or after 1 April 1998

At the Panel meeting of 8 March 2004, the Administration and HA were requested to revert to members on the ways for HA to maintain overall cost comparability with the civil service.

4th quarter of
2004

10. Proposed amendments to the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance

At the Panel meeting on 8 July 2002, the Administration agreed to further assess the economic impact of the smoking ban and examine the feasibility of pooling together the resources of the departments under the new Health, Welfare and Food Bureau to carry out the smoking ban checks, and revert to members at further meetings.

4th quarter of
2004