Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 7 November 2003)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Progress on registration of Chinese medicine practitioners, regulation of proprietary Chinese medicines and development of Chinese medicines outpatient clinics in Hong Kong

December 2003

Item proposed by the Administration.

2. Setting up of a Centre for Health Protection in Hong Kong

Item proposed by the Administration.

December 2003

3. Regulation of health claims

The Administration's proposal on the regulation of health claims was discussed by the Panel on 9 December 2002. The Administration agreed to consult members again after it had completed its public consultation on the prohibited claims before deciding on the way forward.

December 2003

4. Additional funding covering SARS related expenses incurred from August 2003 up to March 2004

Item proposed by the Administration.

December 2003

5. Code of practice for private hospitals

Item proposed by the Administration.

December 2003

Proposed timing for discussion

6. 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.

1st quarter of 2004

7. Financial situation of Hospital Authority

At the Panel meeting on 10 October 2002, members agreed to invite the Administration to brief members on the financial situation of Hospital Authority (HA).

1st quarter of 2004

8. 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.

1st quarter of 2004

9. Construction of Infectious Disease Centre at Princess Margaret Hospital

Item proposed by the Administration.

1st quarter of 2004

10. Results of the consultation exercise on the regulation of medical devices and the way forward

Item proposed by the Administration.

1st quarter of 2004

11. Manpower and training requirement to deal with possible resurgence of SARS

Item proposed by Hon Michael MAK.

1st quarter of

2004

Proposed timing for discussion

12. Cervical cancer screening services

Item proposed by the Administration.

1st quarter of

2004

13. 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.

 2^{nd} quarter of 2004

14. Studies on long term health care financing

Item proposed by the Administration.

 2^{nd} quarter of

2004

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

Item proposed by the Administration.

 2^{nd} quarter of

2004

16. 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

17. Rehabilitation services for discharged mental patients

Item proposed by the Administration.

2nd quarter of

2004

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