

Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 8 February 2006)

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

- 1. Misleading or exaggerated claims made by slimming/fat reduction products and services provided by beauty parlours**

Item proposed by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki. March 2006
- 2. Poison prevention and control**

Item proposed by the Administration. March 2006
- 3. Review of the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 141)**

The Administration gave an undertaking to the Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the Recommendations of the SARS Expert Committee and the Hospital Authority Review Panel on the SARS Outbreak formed under the Panel to conduct a comprehensive revamp of the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 141), having regard to the operational experience in combating the last SARS epidemic and the changing patterns of international trade and people movement and to better meet present day circumstances. Early 2006
- 4. Hospital Authority drug formulary**

The item was last discussed by the Panel on 13 June 2005. Members agreed to follow-up the relevant issues in due course. 2nd quarter of 2006

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

5. Redevelopment of Prince of Wales Hospital (PWH)

Item proposed by the Administration.

2nd quarter of
2006

The item was previously discussed by the Panel on 14 June 2004. Members requested the Administration to report in due course the outcome of the feasibility study to explore the Public/Private Partnership option to see if it could enhance efficiencies in the PWH project.

6. Regulation of health care personnel

Item proposed by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki.

Mid 2006

7. New hospital on Lantau

Item proposed by the Administration.

Mid - late 2006

8. Progress report on promoting healthy eating habit among school children

At the meeting on 9 January 2006, members agreed to discuss the progress made in taking forward the initiative of promoting healthy eating habit among school children in the latter half of the year.

To be confirmed

9. Health care complaints mechanism

This item was previously discussed by the Panel in 2002. The Administration undertook to revert on this subject.

To be confirmed

10. Review of Dental (Registration) Ordinance

Item proposed by the Administration.

To be confirmed

11. Enhancing the provision of dental care for the elderly and extending school dental care services to post-primary students

Item proposed by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki.

To be confirmed

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for discussion**

12. Medical Misadventure Fund

Item proposed by Hon Albert HO.

To be confirmed

13. Increase in professional indemnity insurance premiums

Item proposed by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki.

To be confirmed

14. Shortage of medical frontline staff in the Hospital Authority

Referred for follow-up by the Panel at a meeting of Legislative Council Members with Wong Tai Sin District Council members on 6 January 2005.

To be confirmed

15. Regulation of services provided by beauticians

Item proposed by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki.

To be confirmed

16. Establishment of a mental health council

Referred by the Panel on Home Affairs for follow-up by this Panel.

To be confirmed

During the discussion on the concluding observations adopted by the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on the Second Report of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights by the Panel on Home Affairs on 21 June 2005, the Equal Opportunities Commission recommended that a mental health council should be established to coordinate policy formulation, programme delivery, research and public education in the area of mental health, and to safeguard the rights of people with mental illness.