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Ms Mary So  
Clerk to Panel  
Panel on Health Services  
Legislative Council  
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Dear Ms So,

**Mode of supply of self-financed item (SFI) drugs  
in public hospitals**

Item 7 of the list of follow-up actions in LC Paper No. CB(2)1786/06-07(02) refers. At the Panel meeting on 23 January 2007 to discuss the captioned subject, the Administration was requested to provide the latest information on the percentage of SFI drugs prescribed by the Hospital Authority (HA) doctors to public patients.

According to the HA, since implementation of the HA Drug Formulary in July 2005 and up to March 2007, 0.8% of the total drug items prescribed to public patients were SFI drugs.

Yours sincerely,

( Kirk YIP )  
for Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

cc Dr Beatrice CHENG, Hospital Authority