

**Panel on Health Services**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**  
(position as at 9 January 2009)

**Proposed timing for discussion**

**1. Progress report on promoting healthy eating among school children**

February 2009

The item was last discussed by the Panel at the meeting on 8 January 2007. The Administration was requested to report to the Panel after it had completed an evaluation study of the campaign to promote healthy eating habit among school children at the end of the 2006-2007 school year and to take into account members' views and suggestions in the comprehensive review of the campaign.

**2. Allocation of resources among hospital clusters by the Hospital Authority (HA)**

February 2009

At the meeting on 14 January 2008, the Administration was requested to revert to members in six months' time on the motion carried, the development of the new internal funding allocation model, the suggestion of rotating Hospital Chief Executives (HCEs) to also serve as Cluster Chief Executive and the progress made in rotating HCEs to work at other hospitals.

At the meeting on 8 December 2008, the Administration was requested to revert to the Panel on the development on the subject matter at the meeting in January 2009. At the request of the Administration, discussion on the item would be deferred to a future meeting.

**3. Development of a territory-wide electronic healthcare record (eHR)**

1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

**4. Refurbishment of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital**

1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

**Proposed timing for discussion**

**5. Regulation of medical devices**

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

At the Panel meeting on 27 April 2006, members agreed to follow up on the implementation timetable for regulation of medical devices. The Administration will brief the Panel on the regulatory proposal of medical devices in due course.

**6. Implementation of the Smoking Offence Fixed Penalty System**

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

**7. Reprovisioning of Yaumatei Specialist Clinic at Queen Elizabeth Hospital**

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

**8. Relocation of Siu Lam Hospital to Block B of Castle Peak Hospital**

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2009

Item proposed by the Administration.

**9. Redeployment of Directorate Posts in the Department of Health**

To be confirmed

Item proposed by the Administration.

**10. Review of the pilot schemes on the Doctor Work Reform Recommendation Report**

To be confirmed

At the meeting on 10 March 2008, the Panel passed a motion requesting the Administration and HA to, among others, report the outcome of the review on the pilot schemes launched for implementing the Doctor Work Reform Recommendation Report to the Panel before the expiry of the last legislative session.

**Proposed timing for discussion**

**11. Study on non-tobacco products that share the same trade mark as tobacco products**

To be confirmed

Item proposed by the Administration.

At the request of the Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005, the Administration undertook to examine the viability of prohibiting the use of tobacco brand name and logo on non-tobacco products.

**12. Mode of supply of self-financed item (SFI) drugs to patients of public hospitals**

To be confirmed

At the meeting on 12 February 2007, the Administration was requested to report to the Panel when the HA Board had come to a view on the mode of supply of SFI drugs before implementation. The Administration was also requested to review the assessment criteria for introducing new drugs into the HA Drug Formulary and for assistance under the Samaritan Fund.

When the grant for the Samaritan Fund was discussed at the Panel meeting on 10 November 2008, members raised concern about the assessment criteria and the operation of the Drug Formulary and the Samaritan Fund. Members considered it necessary to advance the discussion on the matter at a forthcoming Panel meeting.

**13. Regulation of "Health Maintenance Organisations" (HMOs)**

To be confirmed

The issue was last discussed by the Panel at the meeting on 11 June 2007. The Administration was requested to revert to the Panel on the time frame for establishing a statutory licensing regime to regulate HMOs, in view of the lack of adequacy of the Medical Director concept to safeguard patients' welfare.

**14. Expansion of private services by HA**

To be confirmed

Item proposed by Hon Andrew CHENG during the last term of the Legislative Council.

**Proposed timing for discussion**

**15. Review of fee waiver mechanism for public hospital fees and charges**

To be confirmed

Referred for follow-up by Duty Roster Members following their meeting with a deputation on 22 November 2006.

**16. Nursing care in residential care homes for the elderly**

To be confirmed

Item proposed by Dr Hon Joseph LEE during the last term of the Legislative Council.

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