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By Fax

Dear Dr Lee

Support for the Establishment of Electronic Health Record System

We write to support the development of territory-wide electronic health record (eHR) system in Hong Kong as proposed by the Government. We believe such a system will drive two vital changes in the nature of health care in Hong Kong. First, providing patients with the access to their critical health and medical information via their family doctor will encourage them to be more focused on their personal healthcare. Second, electronic health records and their related systems will support greater continuity of care across the health care sector, which enables the provision of comprehensive health care to patients.

We recognize that eHR is one critical component in the larger effort to create a comprehensive infrastructure for the electronic exchange of health care information: from patients to doctor, between doctors and other medical healthcare providers, and to advance public health on many fronts, such as enabling disease surveillance and providing health statistics for public health research.

As a not-for-profit making agency, we provide different kinds of health care services to supplement those provided by Hospital Authority and other private medical healthcare providers. We would like to be part of the team in providing comprehensive healthcare to patients. And we thus look forward to the Government's financial assistance in building the kind of computer infrastructure, capital investment and technical expertise required. Given the complexity of the project, we agreed that a dedicated body is needed to spearhead, oversee, and regulate the eHR development, operation, maintenance, finance, ownership of the records, standards for sharing, as well as the security and privacy protection of individual data and the entire system.

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We look forward to the realization of the eHR vision in Hong Kong, through the support of LegCo and the Government.

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