

Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 5 March 2010)

	Proposed timing for discussion
1. Second phase smoking ban at public transport interchanges New item proposed by the Administration.	April 2010
2. Final Report on Doctor Work Reform New item proposed by the Administration	April 2010
3. Enhancing Primary Care – Establishment of Primary Care Office New item proposed by the Administration	April 2010
4. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Primary care reform When the Report on First Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform was discussed at the meeting on 9 February 2009, Hon Audrey EU expressed concern about the progress of promoting public-private partnership in healthcare.	June 2010
5. Cataract Surgeries Programme New item proposed by the Administration	2 nd quarter 2010
6. New initiatives for improvements on mental health services New item proposed by the Administration.	2 nd quarter, 2010

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

7. Redeployment and creation of directorate posts in the Department of Health

2nd quarter 2010

Item proposed by the Administration in the 2008-2009 legislative session.

8. Regulation of medical devices

2nd quarter, 2010

Item proposed by the Administration during the last term of the Legislative Council.

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.

9. Drug Formulary of the Hospital Authority

2nd quarter, 2010

At the meeting on 12 February 2007, the Administration was requested to report to the Panel when the Hospital Authority Board had come to a view on the mode of supply of self-financed item drugs before implementation. The Administration was also requested to review the assessment criteria for introducing new drugs into 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.

At the meeting on 8 June 2009, the Administration briefed members on the latest developments of the HA Drug Formulary.

When the policy on the use of drugs in public hospitals under HA in immediate life threatening emergency situations was discussed at the Panel's special meeting on 19 June 2009, Hon Andrew CHENG and Hon Albert CHAN proposed to discuss the implementation of the HA Drug Formulary at a future meeting, and deputations should be invited to give views on the subject.

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

**10. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Proposals on
healthcare financing**

2nd/3rd quarter,
2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

11. Redevelopment of Yan Chai Hospital

3rd quarter, 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

12. Refurbishment of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital

3rd quarter, 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

**13. Expansion of the blood transfusion service
headquarters**

3rd quarter, 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

**14. Redevelopment of infirmary, community interface
and carers' support services in the Haven of Hope
Hospital**

3rd quarter, 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

15. Regulation of "Health Maintenance Organisations"

3rd/4th quarter,
2010

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 health maintenance organisations, in view of the lack of adequacy of the Medical Director concept to safeguard patients' welfare.

**16. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Electronic health
record sharing**

3rd/4th quarter,
2010

New item proposed by the Administration.