

Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 5 November 2009)

	Proposed timing for discussion
<p>1. Redevelopment of Yan Chai Hospital</p> <p>New item proposed by the Administration.</p>	December 2009
<p>2. Private hospital development</p> <p>New item proposed by the Administration.</p>	December 2009
<p>3. Funding for Health and Health Services Research Fund (HHSRF)</p> <p>New item proposed by the Administration.</p>	December 2009
<p>4. Regulation and control of pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong</p> <p>At the meeting on 31 March 2009, the Administration was requested to report to the Panel when the Review Committee on Regulation of Pharmaceutical Products came up with measures that could be implemented in the short term to better safeguard the safety of pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong.</p>	January 2010
<p>5. Regulation of medical devices</p> <p>Item proposed by the Administration during the last term of the Legislative Council.</p> <p>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.</p>	February 2010

		Proposed timing for discussion
6. New initiatives for improvements on mental health services		March/April 2010
	New item proposed by the Administration.	
7. Refurbishment of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital		1 st quarter, 2010
	Item proposed by the Administration in the 2008-2009 legislative session.	
8. Expansion of the blood transfusion service headquarters		1 st quarter, 2010
	New item proposed by the Administration.	
9. Human Organ Transplant (Appeal) Regulations		1 st quarter, 2010
	New item proposed by the Administration.	
10. Redevelopment of infirmary, community interface and carers' support services in the Haven of Hope Hospital		1 st quarter, 2010
	New item proposed by the Administration.	
11. Redeployment and creation of directorate posts in the Department of Health		1 st quarter, 2010
	Item proposed by the Administration in the 2008-2009 legislative session.	
12. Second phase smoking ban at public transport interchanges		April 2010
	New item proposed by the Administration.	

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for discussion**

13. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Primary care reform

April/May 2010

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.

14. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Electronic health record sharing

April/May 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

15. Healthcare Reform Second Stage – Proposals on healthcare financing

2nd quarter, 2010

New item proposed by the Administration.

16. Regulation of "Health Maintenance Organisations"

2nd 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.

17. 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.

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

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.

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