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Hon. LAU Kwong Wah, JP
Chairman,
Panel on Security,
Legislative Council,
8 Jackson Road,
Central, Hong Kong.

Dear Mr. LAU,

Ref: Medical Priority Dispatch System (MPDS) for pre-hospital care in Hong Kong

The Hong Kong College of Emergency Medicine has strong interest in pre-hospital medical care and our fellows and trainees have been working closely with the ambulance crew during daily practice. We appreciate the initiative to establishing a Medical Priority Dispatch System (MPDS) for pre-hospital care in Hong Kong.

The College Council has instructed the Pre-hospital Care Subcommittee to study and members of the Subcommittee are strongly supportive of the principles in prioritizing urgencies by a system with constantly high sensitivity and specificity so as to achieve maximum benefit to patients when providing pre-hospital care. By doing so, we hope that critically ill patients can receive the needed pre-hospital care within a shorter time frame to the presently stated performance pledge.

Yours sincerely,



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