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## **Legislative Council Secretariat**

## 新聞稿 Press Release

The Legislative Council Panel on Health Services began its duty visit to Japan

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The Legislative Council Panel on Health Services departed for Tokyo, Japan today (5 September) to begin its three-day overseas duty visit.

The purpose of the visit is for Members to gain a better insight into the experience and operation of Japan's healthcare financing, including the operation of its health insurance system. The delegation will also exchange views with officials involved in the provision of primary care.

During its stay in Tokyo, the delegation will meet with the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare and the Health Insurance Claims Review and Reimbursement Services. The delegation will also visit a public hospital and a private hospital to obtain first-hand information on their respective operation and two nursing homes to understand the operation of these homes in providing care to the elderly and the mentally handicapped.

The itinerary of the visit is as follows:

| 5 September 2010 (Sunday) |                                    |
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| 9:30 am                   | Departure from Hong Kong for Tokyo |
| 2:55 pm                   | Arrival in Tokyo                   |

| 6 September 2010 (Monday)  |   |
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| 10:00 am                   | Visit to the Ministry of<br>Health, Labour and Welfare  |
| 2:00 pm                    | Visit to the Health Insurance<br>Claims Review & Reimbursement<br>Services  |
| 4:00 pm                    | Visit to the Tokyo Hospital   |
| 7 September 2010 (Tuesday) |   |
| 10:00 am                   | Visit to the Fukushi (Welfare) Plaza Sakurakawa, The Social Welfare Corporation Nagaoka (nursing home for the elderly and mentally handicapped) |
| 12:30 pm                   | Lunch with Diet Members   |
| 3:00 pm                    | Visit to the Sanno Hospital   |
| 3:50 pm                    | Visit to the Sanno Medical<br>Centre  |
| 4:50 pm                    | Visit to the Shinjuku Keyakien (nursing home for the elderly)   |

The delegation is led by Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, Chairman of the Panel on Health Services. Other Members include Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau, Hon Fred LI Wah-ming and Hon CHAN Hak-kan (Panel members), and Hon CHAN Kam-lam, Hon WONG Yung-kan, Hon LAU Kong-wah, Hon TAM Yiu-chung and Hon LI Fung-ying (non-Panel Members).

Ends/Sunday, September 5, 2010