Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services

Implementation of Pilot Scheme on Home Care and Support for Elderly Persons with Mild Impairment

Supplementary Information

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services (the Panel) on 13 March 2017, the Pilot Scheme on Home Care and Support for Elderly Persons with Mild Impairment (the Pilot Scheme) was discussed. Under the Pilot Scheme, each eligible elderly person can, according to their actual needs each month, choose suitable service packages and flexibly use meal and/or home services. The monthly service values under the Pilot Scheme involve meal and home services. There are nine different values for meal service and five different values for home services. Elderly persons can choose various values for their corresponding service volume (i.e. number of meals / service hours) to receive meal service only, home services only or a combination of both, so long as the combined total value of services used each month does not exceed \$2,550.

The Panel requested the Government to provide, after the meeting, a table illustrating the number of meals covered under different values for meal services as well as the types and number of sessions of home services covered under different values for home services under the Pilot Scheme. The requested information is set out in the two tables below:

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The service values will be adjusted annually according to the Composite Consumer Price Index. The total value of \$2,550 is set with reference to the service utilisation pattern of the existing Integrated Home Care Services (Ordinary Cases) and at 2017-18 price level (the total value of \$2,500 set out in the information paper for the Panel meeting on 13 March 2017 was based at 2016-17 price level).

Meal Service Note 2	
Service Value	
(2017-18 Price	No. of Meals
Level)	
\$510	10
\$765	15
\$1,020	20
\$1,275	25
\$1,530	30
\$1,785	35
\$2,040	40
\$2,295	45
\$2,550	50

Home Services Note 3	
Service Value (2017-18 Price Level)	No. of Service Hours
\$500	4
\$750	6
\$1,000	8
\$1,250	10
\$1,500	12

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The price per meal is set at \$51 at 2017-18 price level (the price per meal of \$50 set out in the information paper for the Panel meeting on 13 March 2017 was based at 2016-17 price level). The service volume of the nine different values of meal service ranges from 10 to 50 meals per month.

Note 3 The price per service hour is set at \$123 at 2017-18 price level (the price per service hour of \$120 set out in the information paper for the Panel meeting on 13 March 2017 was based at 2016-17 price level). The service volume of the five different values of home services ranges from 4 to 12 hours per month. Home services include personal care, simple nursing care, physical exercise, home-making, escort, home safety assessment and health management, purchase and delivery of daily necessities, as well as other services such as support to carers of the service users, etc.