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Ms Wendy JAN Clerk to the Panel on Welfare Services Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central Hong Kong

Dear Ms JAN,

Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services Follow-up Actions for Meetings on 12 November 2018 and 14 January 2020

At the meetings of the Panel on Welfare Services on 12 November 2018 and 14 January 2020 respectively, Members requested the Government to provide information on the following issues as related to the formulation of the Persons with Disabilities and Rehabilitation Programme Plan (RPP)¹. The required information is set out below.

Manpower projection for rehabilitation services

2. In July 2020, the Government released the RPP as formulated by the Rehabilitation Advisory Committee. RPP outlines four strategic directions as underpinned by 20 themes and 62 strategic recommendations to respond to the service needs of persons with disabilities. Regarding the theme on manpower for rehabilitation services, the RPP recommends² devising a projection model for the basic manpower requirement of professional/allied health staff and nursing staff on the basis of the projection of the demand for rehabilitation services.

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¹ Formerly known as the Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan.

² See RPP Strategic Recommendation 60.

Whether and when on-site pre-school rehabilitation services (OPRS) would be provided for children with special needs who were admitted to ordinary child care centres (CCCs) due to lack of places in special CCCs

3. Special Child Care Centres (SCCCs) aim to provide special training and care for children with moderate to severe disabilities to facilitate their development and growth, and help them prepare for primary education. To enable children on the SCCC waiting list to receive training and support as early as possible, they may simultaneously wait for and receive early education and training centre services and/or OPRS as transitional services until they are allocated SCCC places.

Yours sincerely,

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