Panel on Health Services

List of follow-up actions (Position as at 8 October 2019)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
 Briefing by the Secretary for Food and Health on the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address 	26 January 2017	 The Administration was requested to provide information on: (a) the increase in public health expenditure in the light of a growing number of elders aged 65 or above under an ageing population; and (b) programmes to promote preventive care for middle-aged adults in primary care setting and the expenditure involved. 	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
 Proposed extension of Kowloon Psychiatric Observation Unit 	24 April 2018	The Administration/the Hospital Authority ("HA") was requested to advise the respective numbers of doctors, psychiatric nurses and allied health staff (with a breakdown by the grades involved), as well as the respective ratios of these healthcare professionals to patients, to support the operation of the Kowloon Psychiatric Observation Unit before and after the new "gazetted" ward commenced operation.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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 Briefing by the Secretary for Food and Health on the Chief Executive's 2018 Policy Address 	15 October 2018	The Administration was requested to provide a breakdown by expenditure items (including, among others, the subsidized consultation and treatment services) of the \$100 million allocated to subsidize the operation of the Kwai Tsing District Health Centre for a year.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
4. Development of Chinese medicine	17 December 2018	 The Administration/HA was requested to: (a) provide a response to the observations and recommendations made by Office of The Ombudsman in respect of the professional development of Chinese medicine pharmacists as set out in paragraphs 6.23, 6.24 and 6.28(11) of its Direct Investigation Report on Government's Regulation of Proprietary Chinese Medicine (Chinese version only) released on 13 December 2018; (b) provide a response to the suggestions given by the Hong Kong Chinese Medicine Pharmacists Association on the development of Chinese medicine in its submission to the Panel (LC Paper No. CB(2)473/18-19(01)); 	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
		(c) provide an update in respect of the examination being carried out by the Correctional Services Department in	

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		 liaison with the Department of Health and HA on the recommendation put forward by the jury of a death inquest held by the Coroner's Court in June 2018 that the Administration should consider providing Chinese medicine services as an option for prisoners in prison hospitals; and (d) provide for reference of the Panel the report on the evaluation of HA's Integrated Chinese-Western Medicine Pilot Programme once available. 	
5. Enhancement of healthcare teaching facilities of University Grants Committee ("UGC")-funded universities ¹	21 January 2019 (Joint meeting with the Panel on Education)	The Administration was requested to provide the following information before submitting the funding proposals for the construction of a teaching-research complex in Tai Po Area 39 for The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Phase 1), the campus expansion at Ho Man Tin Slope for The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and the enhancement of facilities cum medical campus development for The University of Hong Kong to the Public Works Subcommittee ("PWSC") for consideration:	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1526/18-19(01) on 24 May 2019.

¹ The item has been separately included in the list of follow-up actions of the Panel on Education.

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		 (a) advise, in respect of each of the proposed short, medium and long-term capital works projects to enhance the healthcare teaching facilities of the three universities, 	
		 (i) the net teaching, laboratory and research floor areas per undergraduate and postgraduate student before and after completion of the project; 	
		(ii) the number of additional publicly-funded hostel places to be provided by the project, if any;	
		 (iii) the total estimated cost in money-of-the-day-prices, with a breakdown by phase of the project if appropriate; 	
		(iv) whether part of the estimated cost of the project would be met by other sources of funding (e.g. donation), and if so, the details; and	
		(v) the schedule for submitting the funding proposal(s) to PWSC, as well as the expected project start and completion dates; and	

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		 (b) advise, in respect of the some 150 additional healthcare-related UGC-funded first-year-first-degree places in full-time-equivalent terms ("UGC-funded FYFD places") for the 2019-2020 to 2021-2022 triennium, (i) the respective number of places to be provided by each of the three universities, with a breakdown by discipline; and (ii) the respective number of non-healthcare-related UGC-funded FYFD places reduced by each of the three universities for the 2019-2020 to 2021-2022 triennium in order to maintain the total number of UGC-funded FYFD places at 15 000 per annum, with a breakdown by discipline. 	
6. Hong Kong Genome Project	21 January 2019	The Administration was requested to provide for members' reference a summary, including the background, implementation, aims, scope, outcomes and way forward, of the genome project(s) being carried out in the Mainland.	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1842/18-19(01) on 30 July 2019.

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7. Promotion of breastfeeding	18 February 2019	 The Administration was requested to advise: (a) the exclusive breastfeeding rates in the past 10 years; and (b) a breakdown by the 18 districts the respective numbers of babycare rooms in premises of government departments and organizations, as well as at MTR stations. 	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1599/18-19(01) on 4 June 2019.
 8. Corporate governance and manpower situation of HA 	19 March 2019	The Administration/HA was requested to provide by June 2019 the action plan of HA for using the following additional funding earmarked in the 2019-2020 Budget: (a) the \$721 million for boosting the staff morale and retaining talents of HA; (b) the \$400 million for expanding the scope of HA's Drug Formulary; and (c) the \$5 billion for expediting the upgrading and acquisition of medical equipment of HA.	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1788/18-19(01) on 11 July 2019.
9. Prevention and control measures against measles	15 April 2019	The Administration was requested to advise the period of immunisation records to be covered under the patient portal of the Electronic Health Record Sharing System, which was planned to be launched in the second half of 2020.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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10.Planning for the second 10-year Hospital Development Plan	15 April 2019	 The Administration/HA was requested to: (a) advise the timetable for the opening of the planned additional beds of each proposed project under the first and the second Hospital Development Plan ("HDP") as set out in Annexes A and B to LC Paper No. CB(2)1167/18-19(07); (b) advise the factors and the relevant statistics (in particular public healthcare demand based on the demographic profile of the population projections in the catchment areas) that HA had taken into account in coming up with its plan to provide over 5 000 and over 9 000 additional beds under the first and the second HDP respectively; and (c) in respect of the Administration's advice that the general bed capacity would be increased to 4.8 beds per 1 000 persons by 2036, explain the reason why it still fell short of the planning standard of 5.5 beds per 1 000 persons as set out in the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines. 	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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Subject 11.Obstetric services in public hospitals	Date of meeting 15 April 2019	 Follow-up action required The Administration/HA was requested to: (a) provide information on the respective numbers of patients who underwent medical procedure for termination of pregnancy in the approved public hospitals in each of the past three years, with a breakdown by age group (i.e. aged 24 or below and aged 25 or above); (b) advise the weekly consultation time slots available at the obstetrics and gynaecology specialist outpatient (clinical) services of Queen Mary Hospital for assessment related to and the performance of the medical procedure for termination of pregnancy; (c) provide information on the respective numbers of drills on emergency response to post-partum haemorrhage conducted by the obstetric units of Queen Mary Hospital, Queen Elizabeth Hospital and 	Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1846/18-19(01) on 31 July 2019.
		Tuen Mun Hospital since 2017; and(d) advise whether arrangement would be made for high-risk pregnant women, such as those already had a child with Down syndrome, to receive Non-invasive	
		Prenatal Test (which was planned to be	

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		introduced in Hong Kong Children's Hospital within 2019) directly without having to first undergo the relevant first-tier prenatal screening test.	

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