

Panel on Health Services**List of follow-up actions**

(Position as at 11 May 2021)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Development of Chinese medicine	17 December 2018	<p>The Administration/the Hospital Authority ("HA") was requested to:</p> <p>(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;</p> <p>(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)); and</p>	<p>In respect of items (a) and (b), at the Panel meeting on 9 April 2021, the Administration advised that a project funded by the Chinese Medicine Development Fund was being conducted to assess and study the feasibility of introducing an accreditation system for Chinese medicine pharmacists and related professionals. Subject to the epidemic situation, the project is expected to be completed by end 2021. The Administration will take into account the findings and recommendations in deciding the way forward.</p> <p>The Administration will provide a response in respect of item (c) in due course.</p>

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		<p>(c) provide an update in respect of the examination being carried out by the Correctional Services Department in 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.</p>	
<p>2. Measures for the prevention and control of coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") in Hong Kong</p>	<p>10 July 2020</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to:</p> <p>(a) advise the details of measures put in place by the Administration to ensure that appropriate infection control measures had been put in place by residential care homes for the elderly to minimize the risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19;</p> <p>(b) advise the respective numbers of monthly arrivals in May and June 2020 who were exempted from the quarantine requirement under the Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation (Cap. 599C) and the Compulsory Quarantine of Persons Arriving at Hong Kong from Foreign</p>	<p>The Administration will provide a response in due course.</p>

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		<p>Places Regulation (Cap. 599E), with a breakdown by categories of persons;</p> <p>(c) advise whether persons who had to commute between the Mainland and Hong Kong on compassionate ground could be exempted from the respective compulsory quarantine requirements of the two places; and</p> <p>(d) provide a response to a media report concerning the hygienic problem involved in the production and packaging of the masks procured by the Administration under the Anti-epidemic Fund's Local Mask Production Subsidy Scheme for delivery free-of-charge to all residential households covered by Hongkong Post's delivery service.</p>	
3. Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	13 November 2020	The Administration was requested to, in respect of its written reply to a question raised by Dr Hon Pierre CHAN at the Council meeting of 28 October 2020 that the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health had recorded a total of 1 485 locally acquired and possibly locally acquired cases of COVID-19 with unknown sources as at 25	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		October 2020, advise whether any of these cases had travel history outside Hong Kong in the past 14 days prior to symptom onset.	
4. Briefing by the Secretary for Food and Health on the Chief Executive's 2020 Policy Address	8 January 2021	The Administration was requested to advise the utilization rate of the hotel rooms under the Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme and the percentage of inbound travellers who were tested positive for COVID-19 during or after the quarantine period since the implementation of the Scheme on 22 December 2020.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
5. Proposed Member's Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161)	5 February 2021	The Administration was requested to provide information relevant to limited registration of medical practitioners under section 14A of the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161), including the number of such registration, the number of renewal application upon expiry of the registration after three years and the types of employment engaged by these persons in each of the past three years.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
6. Enhancement of healthcare teaching facilities of University Grants Committee-funded universities	5 March 2021 (joint meeting with the Panel on Education)	The Administration was requested to provide the following information: (a) wording of the oath taken by students newly admitted to the Faculty of Medicine	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		<p>of the University of Hong Kong ("HKU") and The Chinese University of Hong Kong ("CUHK") respectively for committing to uphold the professional and ethical standards of being medical doctors in serving patients and the community;</p> <p>(b) details of the curriculum of the General Education courses of the two universities the medical students thereof are required to take;</p> <p>(c) the amount of respective fiscal reserves of HKU and CUHK with breakdown; and</p> <p>(d) actions to be taken by the Faculty of Medicine of HKU and of CUHK respectively on ways to enhance the ethical standards, professional conduct and integrity of students who are to become medical practitioners in future.</p>	
<p>7. Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong</p>	<p>12 March 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the eligibility of claiming the Indemnity Fund for Adverse Events Following Immunization with Coronavirus</p>	<p>The Administration will provide a response in due course.</p>

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		<p>Disease-2019 ("COVID-19") Vaccines and how it related to the evaluation outcome of the Expert Committee on Clinical Events Assessment following COVID-19 Immunization, in particular when individuals had underlying diseases (e.g. 3-Highs (i.e. high blood glucose, high blood pressure and high cholesterol); and</p> <p>(b)respective number of deaths following vaccination of Sinovac and Placebo under the Phase 3 clinical data of the vaccine by Sinovac.</p>	
8. First 10-year Hospital Development Plan	12 March 2021	The Administration was requested to provide information on the concrete manpower plan of healthcare personnel, including doctors and nurses, from the present until 2028 to meet the healthcare manpower needs arising from the provision of more than 6 000 additional bed spaces in public hospitals as well as other additional facilities and services under the First 10-year Hospital Development Plan.	The Administration's response was issued to members on 15 April 2021 via LC Paper No. CB(4)817/20-21(01).
9. Healthcare manpower projection	24 March 2021	The Administration was requested to provide the following information:	The Administration's response on item (a) was issued to members on 12 April 2021 via LC Paper No. CB(4)749/20-21(01).

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		<p>(a) the relevant manpower data of the base year (i.e. 2017) on which the healthcare manpower projection model has been developed by HKU; and</p> <p>(b) the report on corporate governance of HA.</p>	
<p>10. Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong</p>	<p>9 April 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) regarding the case of about 800 citizens who had failed to receive a short message service ("SMS") message containing their negative COVID-19 test results after receiving a free COVID-19 test provided by the Government from late November to late December 2020, the names of the community testing centres ("CTCs") involved and the number of such failure cases for each CTC;</p> <p>(b) regarding (a) above, whether the Administration would pursue the liabilities of the service provider(s) concerned;</p> <p>(c) the accuracy of the findings of a site investigation at a restaurant in K11 Musea concerning air flow conducted by, among</p>	<p>The Administration will provide a response in due course.</p>

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		<p>others, Professor YUEN Kwok-yung in early March 2021, as the relevant findings were contradictory to those conducted by HKU experts as commissioned by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department;</p> <p>(d) the number of bottles delivered by every general outpatient clinic of HA per month from December 2020 to April 2021; and</p> <p>(e) reasons for the late schedule (i.e. June/July 2021) of requiring all staff of HA to undergo testing.</p>	
<p>11. The development of Chinese Medicine Hospital and Government Chinese Medicines Testing Institute in Tseung Kwan O</p>	<p>9 April 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the mechanism and criteria adopted by HA for procuring Chinese medicine; and</p> <p>(b) the positioning and work of the Government Chinese Medicines Testing Institute ("GCMTI"). In this connection, the Administration was also requested to:</p> <p>(i) provide the details, functions and estimated cost of the proposed</p>	<p>The Chinese version of the Administration's response was issued to members on 10 May 2021 via LC Paper No. CB(4)971/20-21(01).</p>

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		<p>outdoor medicinal plant garden;</p> <p>(ii) provide the functions of the digitalized database on Chinese medicines and whether the database would be for exclusive use by GCMTI or could also be used by other organizations and/or the public; and</p> <p>(iii) explain how GCMTI could help the industry concerned; and</p> <p>(iv) respond to the concerns raised by members in paragraphs 31 to 35 of the background brief prepared by the Secretariat on the subject (LC Paper No. CB(4)707/20-21(06)).</p>	
12.Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	4 May 2021	The Administration was requested to provide information on the number of Hong Kong people who have been stranded in India and Nepal.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.