

LegCo Panel on Welfare Services

List of Follow-up Actions
(as at 11 June 1999)

Subject	Date(s) of relevant meeting(s)	Follow-up Actions Required	Outcome
1. Policy briefing 1.1 Services for the elderly	12.10.1998	Mr HO Sai-chu suggested the Administration to consider buying flats to provide residential care homes for the elderly. SHW undertook to consider the suggestion.	Response awaited.
2. Rehabilitation and support services for ex-mental patients	19.10.1998 19.10.1998	Commissioner for Rehabilitation undertook to provide information on the caseload of community psychiatric service handled and visits paid by community psychiatric nurses, as well as the manpower resources in the CPTs and CPNS Centres. The Administration agreed to explain in detail the arrangements of the 24-hour hotline services in writing.	Response awaited.
3. Expenses incurred by elderly CSSA recipients on private medical treatment	11.1.1999	Miss Cyd HO and Mr Eric LI requested the Administration to employ Chinese medicine practitioners in Government clinics. DDSW(A) agreed to refer the request to the Health & Welfare Bureau and other relevant departments for consideration.	Response awaited.

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4. Review of the CSSA Scheme - result of public consultation	1.2.1999	The Administration agreed to prepare a more detailed paper on its final analysis of the views collected.	Response awaited.
5. Report of Evaluation Study on the Social Networking for the Elderly Project and measures taken under the social networking mechanism during cold spells to assist the vulnerable single elderly	1.2.1999	The Administration would provide a progress report on the implementation of the Project by September 1999.	Response awaited.
6. Briefing on the Report of Review of CSSA	24.2.1999	<p>Further to the meeting on 24.2.1999, the Clerk wrote to SHW on 1 March 1999 informing her that the Panel had passed the following motion at the meeting -</p> <p>“That, in view of the present situation where the unemployment rate is on the rise and the level of wages is experiencing downward adjustment, the Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services urges the Government to re-assess the definition of ‘regular employment’ which is currently defined as ‘earning no less than \$3,200 and working no less than 120 hours per month’, with a view to effecting downward adjustment of the above requirements by May 1999.”</p> <p>The Administration had been requested to respond to the motion.</p>	Response awaited.

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7. Funding problems of welfare agencies faced with the prospect of reduced subsidy from the Community Chest	8.3.1999	The Administration was asked to explore ways to help resolving the financial problems faced by the welfare agencies and the Community Chest and to keep the Panel informed of any progress made.	Response awaited.
8. Services for demented elderly	12.4.1999	The Administration agreed to submit the report of the Working Group on review of existing services for the demented to this Panel in mid 1999.	Response awaited.
9. Active Employment Assistance Programme	12.4.1999	The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on the implementation of the Programme three months later. The report should include the information requested by members at the meeting and the outcome of the Administration's review of the existing rate of the disregarded earning.	Response awaited.
10. Contracting out the meal service of community care services	10.5.1999	The Administration was requested to provide an assessment of the operation of the meal service some time after the contracting out arrangements were effected.	Response awaited.