

LegCo Panel on Health Services
Travellers' Health Service

Background

Members have been informed that the Department of Health plans to introduce Travellers' Health Service to offer travel-related health advice and preventive medications to people planning to travel outside Hong Kong. The main features of the Service were summarised in the paper submitted to the Panel on 16 June 2000.

Fees schedule

2. All the preventive services and medications provided by the Travellers' Health Service will be offered to the general public on full cost recovery basis. The proposed fees for individual items are now set out at **Annex**.

Department of Health
June 2000

Proposed fees schedule of Travellers' Health Service

	\$
1. Consultation	340
<p>The consultation fees do not cover the fees of immunizations, laboratory investigation and supply of medicines in connection with the consultation, certification and travel health kit, which must be separately paid for.</p>	
2. For official certificates for vaccination against yellow fever for international travel	180
<p>The same charges apply for certification or re-certification of vaccination entered on the certificates of vaccination for international travel, whether or not the original certificate was issued by Port Health Office, Department of Health</p>	
3. Immunisation (per dose)	
(A) Vaccination against	
(a) Diphtheria	60
(b) Hepatitis A, adult	185
(c) Hepatitis A, child	120
(d) Hepatitis B	60
(e) Influenza	60

	\$
(f) Japanese encephalitis	185
(g) Meningococcal meningitis	120
(h) Poliomyelitis	60
(i) Rabies	185
(j) Tetanus	60
(k) Typhoid	120
(B) Hepatitis A immuno-globulin	120
4. Laboratory Investigation (per test)	
(A) blood test for Hepatitis A antibody	40 plus gazette charges for laboratory test *
(B) blood test for Hepatitis B surface antigen	40 plus gazette charges for laboratory test *
(C) blood test for Hepatitis B surface antibody	40 plus gazette charges for laboratory test *
5. Preventive Medications (per course)	
(A) anti-malarial medications	75
(B) acute mountain sickness medications	40
6. Travel Health Kit (per kit)	70

* The prevailing gazette charges for the laboratory tests for Hepatitis A antibody, Hepatitis B surface antigen and Hepatitis B surface antibody are \$245, \$140 and \$180 respectively.