

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

(Position as at 8 February 2006)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Drug and treatment for retinal disorders	8 March 2004	Hon CHAN Yuen-han requested to discuss this item.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course.
2. Requiring doctors to purchase insurance to indemnify patients for medical negligence or malpractice as a condition to practise medicine	8 March 2004	Hon CHAN Yuen-han requested to discuss this item.	The Administration is following up with the Medical Council.
3. Budget deficit of Hospital Authority	8 November 2004	The Administration agreed to try as far as possible to provide a paper on the measures taken/to be taken in the coming year to address the budget deficit of HA, including how the fees should be tackled.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course.
4. Increase in professional indemnity insurance premiums	14 March 2005	The Administration undertook to provide a paper on professional indemnity insurance premiums and related issues.	The Administration will submit an information paper in due course.
5. Long-term rehabilitation patients in Prince of Wales Hospital refusing discharge	17 May 2005	The Administration to provide an information paper on the subject to facilitate discussion at a future meeting.	The Administration will provide an information paper in due course.

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6. Hospital fees and charges - non-eligible persons and private patients	13 June 2005	The Administration - (a) to provide further information on the costs of providing private service at individual public hospitals for different specialties with different levels of expertise; (b) to provide further information on whether the introduction of the revised fees for private services would lengthen the waiting time for patients seeking public health service at different specialties in individual public hospitals, and if so, the extent of the impact; and (c) should consult the Panel again before gazettal of the proposed fee revision.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course.
7. Regulation of medical devices in Hong Kong - Recent progress	19 July 2005	The Administration - (a) to provide a supplementary written response to the concern raised by Ms LI Fung-ying about training and related matters; and (b) should revert to the Panel on the operation of the regulatory system in due course.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course. The Administration will submit an information paper in due course.

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8. Proposed creation of a new commitment of \$200 million to deal with a possible outbreak of H5N1 influenza in humans	14 November 2005	The Administration was requested to consider the creation of a new commitment of \$200 million to deal with a possible outbreak of H5N1 influenza in humans.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course.
9. Guidelines on implementation of the Undesirable Medical Advertisements (Amendment) Ordinance 2005	12 December 2005	<p>The Administration was requested to plug the loophole that some manufacturers might deliberately state a claim or disclaimer in the English language only by making the product label and the advertisement wholly or mainly in the English language, in its future review of the implementation of the Amendment Ordinance.</p> <p>Schedule 4 of the Amendment Ordinance reads "If both the product label and the advertisement are wholly or mainly in the English or Chinese language, any claim or disclaimer may be limited to that language".</p>	The Administration noted members' views and this will be taken on board in the future review of the Ordinance.

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10. Notification of infectious diseases between the Mainland and Hong Kong	9 January 2006	<p>The Administration agreed to the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) take up with the Mainland health authorities concerned on the possibility of notifying Hong Kong of all suspected cases of infectious diseases prior to laboratory confirmation of such cases;(b) provide information on the time required for the Mainland side to notify Hong Kong of each confirmed case of infectious disease occurred in the Mainland in recent years; and(c) provide a note on the progress made in using Chinese and western medicines in treating patients suffering from infectious diseases.	The Administration will provide a written response in due course.