Panel on Health Services

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 5 June 2009)

Proposed timing for discussion
July 2009

1. Reprovisioning of Yaumatei Specialist Clinic at Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Item proposed by the Administration.

2. Update on the prevention and control of Human Swine Influenza infection in Hong Kong

Item proposed by the Administration.

July 2009

3. Refurbishment of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital

Item proposed by the Administration.

4th quarter 2009

4. Redeployment of Directorate Posts in the Department of Health

To be confirmed

Item proposed by the Administration.

5. Regulation of medical devices

To be confirmed

Item proposed by the Administration.

At the Panel meeting on 27 April 2006, members agreed to follow up on the implementation timetable for regulation of medical devices. The Administration will brief the Panel on the regulatory proposal of medical devices in due course.

6. Study on non-tobacco products that share the same trade mark as tobacco products

To be confirmed

Item proposed by the Administration.

At the request of the Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005, the Administration undertook to examine the viability of prohibiting the use of tobacco brand name and logo on non-tobacco products.

Proposed timing for discussion

To be confirmed

7. Regulation of "Health Maintenance Organisations" (HMOs)

The issue was last discussed by the Panel at the meeting on 11 June 2007. The Administration was requested to revert to the Panel on the time frame for establishing a statutory licensing regime to regulate HMOs, in view of the lack of adequacy of the Medical Director concept to safeguard patients' welfare.

8. Expansion of private services by HA

Item proposed by Hon Andrew CHENG during the last term of the Legislative Council.

9. Review of fee waiver mechanism for public hospital fees and charges

Referred for follow-up by Duty Roster Members following their meeting with a deputation on 22 November 2006.

At the meeting on 9 February 2009, Hon Cyd HO proposed to discuss medical waiver mechanism of public hospitals and clinics before the Second Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform.

10. Nursing care in residential care homes for the elderly

Item proposed by Dr Hon Joseph LEE during the last term of the Legislative Council.

11. Remuneration of the senior executives of the Hospital Authority

Item proposed by Hon Andrew CHENG on 22 January 2009.

When the Report on First Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform was discussed at the meeting on 9 February 2009, Hon Audrey EU expressed concern about the remuneration of senior executives in the Hospital Authority.

To be confirmed

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Proposed timing for discussion

To be confirmed

12. Promotion of public/private interface

When the Report on First Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform was discussed at the meeting on 9 February 2009, Hon Audrey EU expressed concern about the progress of promoting public-private partnership in healthcare.

13. Promoting the physical and psychological well-being of school children

To be confirmed

Item proposed by Hon Albert CHAN at the meeting on 9 February 2009.

14. Regulation and control of pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong

To be confirmed

At the meeting on 31 March 2009, the Administration was requested to report to the Panel when the Review Committee on Regulation of Pharmaceutical Products came up with measures that could be implemented in the short term to better safeguard the safety of pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong.

15. Final review outcome of pilot doctor work reform programmes

To be confirmed

At the meeting on 11 May 2009, the Administration was requested to report to the Panel the final review outcome of the pilot doctor work reform programmes after the Steering Committee on Doctor Work Hours submitted its final review report to the Hospital Authority Board in early 2010.

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