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Public-private Partnership Pilot Scheme on Radiological Imaging Services

The Government published the Healthcare Reform Consultation Document "Your Health, Your Life" in March 2008 to initiate the public consultation on healthcare reform. The Report on First Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform was issued in December 2008, in which promotion of public-private partnership ("PPP") in healthcare was considered as one of the key principles of service reform proposals. PPP aims at providing more choice for individuals, encouraging healthy competition, and making better use of resources in both the public and private sectors through collaboration between the two sectors to provide healthcare infrastructure or services. PPP also helps benchmark the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of healthcare services, and facilitates cross-fertilization of expertise and experience among healthcare professionals.

- 2. At the Council meeting of 6 July 2011, Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong raised a question on PPP pilot projects in healthcare. According to the Administration's reply, a pilot project to strengthen radiological imaging services through PPP for specific groups of cancer patients who meet the relevant clinical criteria will be launched in 2011-2012. Suitable private providers will be selected through open tender. It is expected that some 10 000 radiological imaging checks will be provided under this pilot project.
- 3. Two PPP pilot projects relating to hospital services have been launched through the Hospital Authority. They are the Cataract Surgeries Programme where patients waiting for cataract surgeries in public hospitals receive partial subsidy to receive treatment in the private sector; and the Haemodialysis PPP Programme where haemodialysis service is purchased from private centres for end stage renal disease patients under the care of public hospitals. According to the information provided by the

Administration, around 3 000 cataract patients and 100 renal disease patients will be benefited from these two PPP Programmes in 2011-2012.

4. A list of the relevant papers on the Legislative Council website is in the **Appendix**.

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Relevant papers on Public-private Partnership Pilot Scheme on Radiological Imaging Services

Committee	Date of meeting	Paper
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