Bills Committee on Electronic Health Record Sharing System Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 19 May 2014

The Administration was requested to -

- (a) provide details on the main enhancement features to be included in the Electronic Health Record Sharing System ("the System"), as well as major studies to be conducted (such as the studies to explore whether a "Patient's Portal" should be developed for registered healthcare recipients to access their electronic health record ("eHR") more conveniently, and whether separate storage of sensitive health records with additional access control viz a "safe deposit box" should be provided), in the second stage of the Electronic Health Record Programme;
- (b) advise whether the Administration would consider amending the drafting of the definition of "sharable data" in the proposed section 2 to provide for the possibility that a registered healthcare recipient might in the future have the right to exclude prescribed healthcare provider(s) registered for the System from access to certain part of his/her eHR (e.g. through the provision of a "safe deposit box" in the System) and, if not, what future legislative amendments or administrative measures would be required to bring the regulation and protection of such a right into the regulatory framework if such a need arose in the future; and
- (c) provide explanation on the ownership of eHR of a registered healthcare recipient that was kept under the System, and advise whether the Administration would consider adding a definition in relation to the ownership of eHR in the proposed section 2, with a view to removing any ambiguity that might arise.

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