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Clerk to the Panel on Health Services  
Legislative Council  
Legislative Council Road  
Central  
Hong Kong

Dear Ms. Lam,

On behalf of the School of Nursing of The University of Hong Kong, I write to express our support of the Administration's tobacco control measures, its legislative proposals in relation to health warnings on tobacco products and smoking ban at bus interchange at tunnel portal areas. We advocate prohibition of e-cigarette smoking.

In particular, we wish to propose enlarging the size of pictorial health warnings to at least 85% of the cigarette/cigar/tobacco packet surface area and increasing the number of health warnings to 12.

We encourage increasing risk perception of smoking and adopting interventions to promote smoking cessation. Smoking causes many forms of cancer and research has found that smoking increases risk of cancer, especially for lung cancer. From the nursing perspective, smoking reduces the efficacy of cancer treatment.

Yours sincerely,

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