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#### **Panel on Health Services**

## Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 15 October 2015, at 3:00 pm in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members : present	Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP, PhD, RN (Chairman) Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau (Deputy Chairman) Hon Albert HO Chun-yan Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP
Member : absent	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Clerk in : attendance	Ms Maisie LAM Chief Council Secretary (2) 5
	Miss Flora TAI Assistant Secretary General 2

Ms Janet SHUM Senior Council Secretary (2) 5

Ms Priscilla LAU Council Secretary (2) 5

Miss Sandra SIU Legislative Assistant (2) 5

Ms Louisa YU Clerical Assistant (2) 5

#### Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the 2015-2016 session

[Appendixes III and IV to LC Paper No. CB(2)9/15-16]

## Election of Chairman

<u>Prof Joseph LEE</u>, Chairman of the Panel for the 2014-2015 session, called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session. Prof Joseph LEE was nominated by <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u>. <u>Prof Joseph LEE</u> accepted the nomination.

2. As the incumbent Chairman was nominated for the office, Dr LEUNG Ka-lau, the incumbent Deputy Chairman, took over from Prof Joseph LEE to preside over the election of the Chairman. As there was no other nomination, <u>Dr LEUNG Ka-lau</u> declared Prof Joseph LEE elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session. Prof Joseph LEE then took the chair.

## Election of Deputy Chairman

3. <u>The Chairman</u> called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session. Dr LEUNG Ka-lau was nominated by <u>Mr CHAN Kin-por</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Mr Albert HO</u>. <u>Dr LEUNG Ka-lau</u> accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, <u>the Chairman</u> declared Dr LEUNG Ka-lau elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session.

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## II. Schedule of meetings for the 2015-2016 session

5. <u>Members</u> agreed that the Panel would continue to hold its regular meetings on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 pm. <u>Members</u> agreed to adopt the proposed meeting schedule which was tabled at the meeting.

(*Post-meeting note*: The schedule of regular meetings was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)55/15-16 on 15 October 2015.)

#### **III.** Items for discussion at the next meeting [Appendixes V and VI to LC Paper No. CB(2)9/15-16]

## Regular meeting in November 2015

6. <u>Members</u> agreed that the following items would be discussed at the next regular meeting on 16 November 2015 -

- (a) Hospital Authority's private patient services; and
- (b) Patient safety management in Hospital Authority.

(*Post-meeting*) note: At the respective requests of Mr Tommy CHEUNG and the Administration and with the concurrence of the Chairman, the agenda for the November regular meeting has been revised to include the discussion on "Proposed Member's Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161)"; "Proposed \$10 billion endowment fund to the Hospital Authority for public-private partnership initiatives"; and "Update on the implementation of the Elderly Health Care Voucher Scheme". The discussion of items (a) and (b) above have been deferred to a future meeting.)

Items proposed for discussion at future meetings

7. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> suggested that the Administration should revert to the Panel at the earliest opportunity in the 2015-2016 session the public health measures for the lead in drinking water incidents, in particular measures to safeguard the quality of drinking water from the health perspective, analysis of blood lead testing results and health impacts of lead consumption on affected persons not belonged to the three more easily affected groups. She considered that the Panel should also follow up on issues relating to the regulation and development of beauty services. <u>The Chairman</u> drew members' attention that the Administration had provided a written reply on 14 October 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(2)46/15-16) responding to the views expressed by members on the subject at the joint meeting of the Panel and the Panel on Commerce and Industry held on 23 June 2015.

8. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> proposed that the Administration should brief the Panel on the planning progress of the development of a new acute general hospital in the Kai Tak Development Area and the redevelopment of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital at a future meeting.

9. <u>Dr Elizabeth QUAT</u> suggested that issues relating to women's health, including the prevention of breast and cervical cancers and provision of cervical cancer vaccination for the female population, should be discussed at a future meeting.

10. <u>Mr Albert CHAN</u> expressed concern about the equipment on ambulances and training for frontline ambulance crew. He was uncertain whether the issue should be followed up by a joint meeting of the Panel and the Panel on Security.

11. In concluding the discussion, <u>the Chairman</u> said that the items suggested by members would be included in the list of outstanding items for discussion by the Panel as appropriate. He would liaise with the Secretary for Food and Health on members' suggestions at the informal meeting to discuss the work plan of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session.

# IV. Any other business

# Subcommittees under the Panel

12. <u>The Chairman</u> informed members that the Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme and the Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine formed under the Panel would continue to work in the 2015-2016 session. Membership of the two Subcommittees would be re-opened to members of the Panel.

13. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 3:10 pm.

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