Bills Committee on Private Healthcare Facilities Bill

List of follow-up actions required of the Administration arising from the discussion at the meeting on 11 July 2017

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) clarify what would constitute the provision of a medical service in a private healthcare facility, in particular whether the non-presence of a registered medical practitioner or a registered dentist (as the case might be) in the premises concerned would render the relevant service not being regarded as a medical service. According to clause 2, "medical service", in relation to a patient, meant a medical diagnosis, treatment (other than first aid treatment) or care for the patient given by a registered medical practitioner or a registered dentist;
- (b) advise whether, and if so, what nursing requirements would be imposed on the private healthcare facilities regulated under the Bill;
- (c) advise how the Committee on Complaints against Private Healthcare Facilities to be established under clause 71 would handle a facility complaint against a private healthcare facility which involved misconduct of its healthcare professional(s); and
- (d) in respect of Schedule 2 which set out different classes of specialized services and the corresponding medical procedures that could be carried out in a day procedure centre,
 - (i) address a member's concern that for item 5, the description in column 2 of the Schedule as presently drafted was far from clear in defining what would constitute a medical procedure corresponding to the class of haemodialysis services listed in column 1 of the Schedule; and
 - (ii) advise whether the Director of Health would, in a code of practice to be issued under clause 102, specify that certain medical procedures corresponding to the class of haemodialysis services could only be carried out in a hospital, and if so, which medical procedures would be so covered.