Bills Committee on Private Healthcare Facilities Bill

List of follow-up actions required of the Administration arising from the discussion at the meeting on 9 October 2017

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) in respect of the Administration's response that subject to members' views, it would consider exempting those healthcare facilities managed or controlled by the Faculties of Medicine of The University of Hong Kong and The Chinese University of Hong Kong for teaching and research purposes from the application of the Bill, advise the proposed criteria for exemption and the existing healthcare facilities that would meet these proposed criteria;
- (b) advise under what circumstances a beauty service provider would be regarded as having contravened clause 12(1) if its beauty practitioner performed, on a premises other than the excepted premises specified under clause 12(3), an invasive cosmetic procedure, such as eyebrow tattooing, removal of moles, treatment using laser or intense pulsed light, for a customer for beauty purposes;
- (c) in respect of the Committee on Complaints against Private Healthcare Facilities ("the Complaints Committee") referred to under clause 71,
 - (i) provide a response to the suggestion that membership of the Complaints Committee should comprise representatives from the healthcare profession, representatives from other professions, and other lay members in equal proportion. According to clause 71(2)(c), the Complaints Committee would have, other than a chairperson and a deputy chairperson, not less than 24, and not more than 48, members; and
 - (ii) advise whether an appeal mechanism would be put in place such that complainants who were aggrieved by the decisions of the Complaints Committee could appeal for a review of the decisions;

- (d) advise whether new private hospitals to be established and operated by non-governmental organizations for the provision of palliative hospice services could be exempted from paying the application fee for a license for a hospital. According to the proposed Schedule 3, the application fees for a license for a hospital with up to 200 beds (item 1 referred) and for renewal of license for a hospital (item 12 referred), the validity period of which would be not more than two years, amounted to \$426,000 and \$5,020 respectively; and
- (e) provide a consolidated response to the deputations' views and suggestions to, in particular those relating to the legal and drafting aspects of, the Bill.

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