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**Panel on Health Services**

**Minutes of meeting**  
**held on Tuesday, 18 October 2016, at 3:00 pm**  
**in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

**Members present** : Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP (Chairman)  
Dr Hon Pierre CHAN (Deputy Chairman)  
Hon James TO Kun-sun  
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP  
Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP  
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP  
Hon Claudia MO  
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH  
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS  
Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP  
Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP  
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen  
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP  
Hon Kenneth LEUNG  
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP  
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki  
Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang  
Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan  
Hon IP Kin-yuen  
Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP  
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH  
Hon Alvin YEUNG  
Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin  
Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP  
Hon LAM Cheuk-ting  
Hon SHIU Ka-fai  
Hon SHIU Ka-chun  
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH

Hon YUNG Hoi-yan  
Hon Tanya CHAN  
Hon HUI Chi-fung  
Hon KWONG Chun-yu  
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

**Members attending** : Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP  
Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP

**Members absent** : Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung  
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP  
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung  
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung  
Hon CHU Hoi-dick  
Hon Nathan LAW Kwun-chung  
Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim  
Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai

**Clerk in attendance** : Ms Maisie LAM  
Chief Council Secretary (2) 5

**Staff in attendance** : Miss Flora TAI  
Assistant Secretary General 2

Ms Janet SHUM  
Senior Council Secretary (2) 5

Ms Priscilla LAU  
Council Secretary (2) 5

Miss Maggie CHIU  
Legislative Assistant (2) 5

Ms Louisa YU  
Clerical Assistant (2) 5

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**I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the 2016-2017 session**

[Appendixes I to III to LC Paper No. CB(2)13/16-17]

Election of Chairman

Mr James TO, the member present who had the highest precedence, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. Mr TO called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. Prof Joseph LEE was nominated by Dr KWOK Ka-ki and the nomination was seconded by Mr SHIU Ka-chun. Prof Joseph LEE accepted the nomination.

2. As there was no other nomination, Mr James TO declared Prof Joseph LEE elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. Prof Joseph LEE then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

3. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. Dr Pierre CHAN was nominated by Dr KWOK Ka-ki and the nomination was seconded by Mr SHIU Ka-chun. Dr Pierre CHAN accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared Dr Pierre CHAN elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session.

**II. Schedule of meetings for the 2016-2017 session**

5. Members agreed that the Panel would hold its regular meetings on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 pm except the meeting in April 2017, as the third Monday in April 2017 was a public holiday. Members agreed to adopt the proposed meeting schedule which was tabled at the meeting.

*(Post-meeting note: The schedule of regular meetings of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)26/16-17 on 19 October 2016.)*

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**III. Items for discussion at the next meeting**

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)28/16-17 (01) and (02)]

6. Members noted the "List of issues suggested to be considered" and the "List of follow-up actions" which were tabled at the meeting.

Regular meeting in November 2016

7. Members agreed to discuss the following items proposed by the Administration at the next regular meeting on 21 November 2016:

- (a) Preparation for winter surge; and
- (b) Pilot programme for enhancing price transparency for private hospitals.

Dr KWOK Ka-ki was of the view that the Administration should brief the Panel on the implementation of the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme 2016-2017, in particular the arrangement for private doctors enrolled in the Scheme to administer seasonal influenza vaccine for eligible children at schools. The Chairman advised that the Administration would be requested to include the information in its discussion paper for item (a) above.

Items proposed for discussion at future meetings

8. Mr CHAN Han-pan proposed that the Administration should update the Panel on the progress of the development of a Chinese medicine hospital at a future meeting. Dr Elizabeth QUAT suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on its plan to enhance the hospital services of the New Territories East Cluster. Dr KWOK Ka-ki considered that the Administration should update members on the timetable of individual projects under the 10-year public hospital development plan.

9. Mr CHAN Han-pan considered that the Panel should follow up with the Administration on the policy on rare diseases. Mr Jeremy TAM suggested that that the Panel should discuss the subsidy on drug for rare diseases in tandem with the Drug Formulary of the Hospital Authority at the earliest possible time in the session.

10. In response to Ms Tanya CHAN, the Chairman advised that issues relating to the prevention and control of Zika virus infection were last discussed by the Panel in February 2016. Ms Tanya CHAN expressed concern about the outbreak of Zika virus infection in some places in

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Southeast Asia. She suggested that the Panel should follow up the matter with the Administration at an opportune time in the session.

11. Dr Helena WONG considered that the Panel should continue to follow up the regulation of beauty services with the Administration. Dr Elizabeth QUAT held the view that the Administration should revert to the Panel on the development of the stage two Electronic Health Record Programme, including the provision of enhanced access control for participating patients on disclosure of their electronic health data.

12. Dr Elizabeth QUAT proposed to discuss nursing manpower, organ donation, and the provision of breast cancer screening, low-risk prenatal tests and public dental care services in the session. Dr Helena WONG expressed concern about the provision of antenatal checkups for pregnant women in the New Territories West Cluster. She suggested that the matter be discussed by the Panel.

13. Dr Helena WONG and Mr CHAN Han-pan proposed the discussion on the regulation of health food products at a future meeting. Dr Helena WONG held the view that the Panel should also discuss the safety standard and surveillance of pesticide residues and heavy metal in Chinese herbal medicines, as well as the provision of one-stop services for victim of sexual violence in public hospitals in the session.

14. In response to Mr SHIU Ka-chun's enquiry, the Chairman advised that the item "Voluntary accredited registers scheme for healthcare personnel who are currently not subject to statutory regulation" on the list of issues suggested to be discussed by the Panel would cover clinical psychologists. When the subject was discussed by the Panel in May 2016, the Administration was requested to revert to the Panel on the implementation of the pilot scheme concerned in the 2016-2017 session.

15. Ms Alice MAK said that since the Medical Registration (Amendment) Bill 2016 had lapsed at the end of the term of office of the Legislative Council, she intended to propose the establishment of a subcommittee under the Panel to study the mechanism on the handling of complaints arising from medical incidents. The Chairman said that he would discuss with the Secretary for Food and Health ("SFH") issues relating to the amendments to the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161) at the meeting between the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and SFH to discuss the work plan of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. The proposal of Ms Alice MAK could be considered at the November regular meeting of the Panel where appropriate.

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Items on the list of issues suggested to be considered

16. Members agreed to the Administration's proposal of deleting the item on "Redeployment of directorate posts in DH" from the Panel's list of issues suggested to be considered.

17. As regards the Administration's proposal to delete the two items on "Public health measures for the lead in drinking water incidents" and "HA's private patient services" from the Panel's list of issues suggested to be considered, Dr KWOK Ka-ki expressed disagreement and held the view that the Administration should revert to the Panel on the two subjects. Members did not raise any queries.

18. In concluding the discussion, the Chairman said that he would relay members' views and suggestions to SFH at the meeting between the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and SFH to discuss the work plan of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session.

**IV. Any other business**

19. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 3:14 pm.

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