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The Panel on Health Services of the Legislative Council
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Dear Sirs,

Support to Amend the Health Warnings on Packets and Retail Containers of Tobacco Products

The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing Limited ("HKAN") supports the Government proposal to amend the health warnings on packets and retail containers of tobacco products, i.e.:

To amend the prescribed forms (including specifications) of the health warnings; the size and number of the health warnings and messages for the packet or retail container of cigarettes and tobacco products under the Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) Order as follows –

- (a) the area of the graphic health warning shall be of a size that covers at least 85% of two largest surfaces of the packet or the retail container;
- (b) the number of forms of health warning will increase from six to twelve;
- (c) the following health warning message is to be included in the existing statement "HKSAR GOVERNMENT WARNING" / "香港特區政府忠告市民" –
"QUIT SMOKING FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS" /
"請為你的下一代戒煙"; and
"QUITLINE: 1833 183" / "戒煙熱線 : 1833 183";
- (d) the indication of tar and nicotine yields should be printed on a side adjacent to a typical flip-top lid of a cigarette packet, excluding the portion which forms part of the lid and the two largest surfaces, presented in a conspicuous place of such side of the packet.

HAKN is in full support to amend the health warnings on packets and retail containers of tobacco products.

Yours sincerely,

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