

**For information  
in June 2017**

**Legislative Council Panel on Health Services**  
**Review of Outpatient Charges**  
**Pegged with the Rates of the Hospital Authority**  
**in the Department of Health**

**Purpose**

This paper informs Members of the revised outpatient charges charged by the Department of Health (DH) which are pegged to the rates of the Hospital Authority (HA).

**Fee Revision**

2. We consulted the Legislative Council Panel on Health Services (the Panel) on 25 April 2017 regarding the revision of fees and charges for public healthcare services in the HA, details of which were set out in the Administration's paper (LC Paper No. CB (2)1224/16-17(01)). Members raised no objection to the revision. The revised HA's fees will take effect from 18 June 2017.

3. It has been the established practice to peg certain DH's fees to HA's rates if they are charged on healthcare services of essentially the same / similar nature. This ensures that the charges for the concerned clinical services are consistent across the public healthcare system. Therefore, subsequent to the earlier briefing for the Panel on the HA's fee revision plan, steps have been taken to bring 17 such outpatient charges for clinical services provided by the DH to the same level of HA's rates. The 17 types of DH's outpatient charges to be revised are at **Annex**. The revised outpatient charges charged by the DH will take effect from 26 June 2017.

**Advice sought**

4. Members are invited to note the content of this paper.

**Food and Health Bureau  
Department of Health  
June 2017**

**Department of Health**  
**Outpatient Charges Pegged with the Rates of the Hospital Authority (HA)**

Fee items	Current charges (HK\$)	Revised charges effective from 26 June 2017 (HK\$) (to continue to peg with the HA's rates)
<b>(A) Eligible Persons</b>		
1) Prescriptions relating to attendance at a specialist clinic, Child Assessment Centre, Genetic Counselling Clinic and Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic (per item)	10	15
2) Attendance at a clinic for injection and dressing		
3) Elderly Health Services – Each attendance for injection and dressing	17	19
4) Attendance at a general clinic		
5) Elderly Health Services – Each attendance for medical treatment	45	50
6) Attendance at a specialist clinic – subsequent attendance		
7) Attendance at a Child Assessment Centre – subsequent attendance	60	80
8) Attendance at a Genetic Counselling Clinic and Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic – subsequent attendance		
9) Attendance at a specialist clinic – first attendance		
10) Attendance at a Child Assessment Centre – first attendance	100	135
11) Attendance at a Genetic Counselling Clinic and Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic – first attendance		
<b>(B) Non-eligible Persons</b>		
12) Attendance at a general clinic	215	445
13) Attendance at a specialist clinic		
14) Attendance at a Genetic Counselling Clinic (actual cost of special investigations are separately charged)		
15) Attendance at Social Hygiene & Special Skin Clinics - treatment relating sexually transmitted diseases or leprosy	1,110	1,190
16) Attendance at a Maternal & Child Health Centre - maternal health services		

17) Emergency treatment in government dental clinic & hospital dental unit (includes extractions & other oral surgical emergencies)		
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