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Dear Ms LAM,

Subcommittee on Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Specification of Date for Sections 135(1)(a)) Notice and Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Specification of Date for Section 136(1)(a)) Notice

As discussed at the first meeting of the Subcommittee on Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Specification of Date for Sections 135(1)(a)) Notice and Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Specification of Date for 136(1)(a)) Notice ("the Subcommittee") held on 21 December 2018, we would like to provide Members of the Subcommittee with information on the Symposium on Healthcare Facilities Management 2019 ("the Symposium") which will be held on 19 January and 26 January 2019.

Symposium on Healthcare Facilities Management 2019

2. The Symposium on Healthcare Facilities Management 2019 is jointly organised by the Department of Health and the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine. It is among the series of publicity activities that we have planned for the implementation of Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance ("PHFO").

3. The Symposium is designed to provide an update on the new licensing scheme provided by the PHFO as well as to raise awareness among healthcare professionals and operators of private healthcare facilities (PHFs) of the prevailing legislation relevant to the operation of a PHF. In the Symposium, we will introduce the key features of the new scheme, outline the phased implementation plan, and give a forecast of the upcoming publicity activities. The Symposium is open to medical and dental healthcare professionals as well as operators of PHFs, who may access the detailed programme and register at https://www.dh.gov.hk/english/main/main_orphf/main_orphf.html.

4. Members may also wish to note that the latest announcements on details of the new regime, including a set of Frequently Asked Questions, can be accessed at https://www.dh.gov.hk/english/main/main_orphf/orphf_lic.html. Members of the public and the stakeholders concerned may contact us at 3107 2939 or orphf.pds@dh.gov.hk for further enquiry.

Yours sincerely,

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