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Ms Maisie LAM
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Panel on Health Services
Legislative Council Secretariat
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Dear Ms LAM,

Consultation Report on Regulation of Advanced Therapy Products

I am writing to inform you that the Department of Health has released the Consultation Report on the Regulation of Advanced Therapy Products (ATPs) which can be downloaded at http://www.advancedtherapyinfo.gov.hk/cbb/en/level.html.

The Consultation Report summarises the views received during the public consultation and maps out the way forward for the regulation of ATPs. In gist, the proposal to regulate ATPs as pharmaceutical products under the regulatory regime of the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138), including pre- and post-marketing control, licensing of traders and import/export control, received broad support as revealed by the public views collected.

The Government will proceed to take forward the recommendations along the direction set out in the Consultation Report and is now working on the detailed legislative proposal. We will consult the Panel on Health Services in the first half of 2019 on the legislative proposal, after which we will introduce the relevant Amendment Bill to the Legislative Council.

Should you have further queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Lily LEE)

for Secretary for Food and Health

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