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Panel on Welfare Services

Minutes of special meeting
held on Tuesday, 14 January 2020, at 2:30 pm
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex

- Members present** :
- Hon KWONG Chun-yu (Chairman)
 - Hon SHIU Ka-chun (Deputy Chairman)
 - Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
 - Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
 - Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
 - Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
 - Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
 - Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP
 - Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
 - Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
 - Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin
 - Hon CHU Hoi-dick
 - Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
 - Dr Hon Pierre CHAN
 - Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai
- Members absent** :
- Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP
 - Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP
- Public Officers attending** :
- Mr Caspar TSUI, JP
Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare
Labour and Welfare Bureau

 - Ms Manda CHAN, JP
Commissioner for Rehabilitation
Labour and Welfare Bureau

Mr KOK Che-leung
Assistant Director (Rehabilitation and Medical Social
Services)
Social Welfare Department

Attendance by invitation : Session One

Alliance for Subvented Residential Care Service

李祥佩女士
Convenor

Disability Watch

Mr YIP Kin-keung
Member

Dr Donna WONG

Labour Party

Mr KWOK Wing-kin
Chairperson

Mr WONG Chun-ho

Heep Hong Parents' Association

Ms CHENG Pui-wai
Vice-Chairman

Silveriders

Mr Samuel MAK
Founder

Office of Leslie Chan Ka Long, District Councillor, Yau
Tsim Mong District Council

Mr CHAN Ka-long
District Councillor, Yau Tsim Mong District Council

Chosen Power (People First Hong Kong)

Mr CHAN Tsun-kit
Director

Miss KWAN Kit-man

Mr LO Ho-yuen

Special Education Society of Hong Kong

Mr YUNG Ka-kui
Chairman

Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of
Hong Kong

Mr YIP Man-pan
Deputy Spokesperson

Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children

Mr CHAN Chi-yiu
Service Director

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Ms LAI Dik-chee
Officer (Rehabilitation Service)

Elderly Rights League (H.K.)

Ms WONG To-kuen
Member

Employment Support of Persons in Recovery Concern
Group

Ms LI Kwok-hung
Member

Mr YIP Man-chun

Persons in Recovery Concern Group

Ms SO Ping
Member

Ageing of Persons in Recovery Concern Group

Ms CHIU Heung-chi
Member

Society for Community Organization

Miss YUEN Shuk-yan
Community Organizer

關注殘疾人士照顧者平台

徐江琼女士
Spokesperson

Alliance of Ex-mentally Ill of Hong Kong

Mr WONG Man-lip
Chairman

陳麗娟女士

Mr WHY

Mr LEE Chi-yung

Session Two

The Association of Parents of The Severely Mentally
Handicapped

Miss LAI Pui-mei
Chairperson

Miss WONG Tsz-yan

Young Children SEN Concern Group

Principal Alice KWOK
Representative

Mr WONG Wai-lung

Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong

Mr CHAN Hei-lung
Project Officer (Policy Advocacy)

The Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the Mentally Handicapped

Mrs Goretta CHEUK
Chairperson

Ms YAU Chun

Mr YEUNG Ka-keung

Concerning Home Care Service Alliance

Miss LEUNG Man-leong
Community Organizer

關顧聯長者小組

李偉先生
Representative

關顧聯殘疾人士小組

潘惠梅小姐
Representative

關顧聯照顧者小組

林珍女士
Representative

Hong Kong Christian Service Child Rehabilitation Service

Miss Carmen WONG Ching-yee
Coordinator

關顧聯殘疾人士關注組

林倩雯女士
Representative

Association for the Rights of Hearing Impaired Students

Mrs WONG Sau-chun
Parent

Civic Party

Miss Eunice CHAU Yuen-man
District Councillor, Sham Shui Po District Council

Miss FUNG Wai-ying

殘疾人士及長期病患者就業關注組

Mr CHIU Ho-lam
Chairman

Mr Stanley HO Wai-hong
Member of Sai Kung District Council

Hong Kong Blind Union

Mr HO Ka-leung

Clerk in attendance : Ms Wendy JAN
Chief Council Secretary (2) 4

Staff in attendance : Mr Roger CHUNG
Council Secretary (2) 4

Miss Alison HUI
Legislative Assistant (2) 4

I. Formulation of a new Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)484/19-20(01) to (02)]

At the invitation of the Chairman, Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare ("USLW") briefed members on the progress of the formulation of a new Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan ("RPP"), and the strategic directions, themes and strategic recommendations of the new RPP.

2. The Chairman invited the deputations/individuals to present their views. A total of 46 deputations/individuals expressed their views which were summarized in the **Appendix**.

The Administration's response to views of deputations/individuals

3. USLW made the following responses:

- (a) the Administration had been examining the provision of services for persons with disabilities and implementing enhancement measures as and when they were ready without waiting for the completion of the RPP review;
- (b) the new RPP would project the demand for future rehabilitation services, taking account of expressed service demand, population growth rate of persons with disabilities and relevant adjustment factors, and would draw up a projection model for manpower requirement on the basis of the projected demand for rehabilitation services;
- (c) the new RPP would cover the provision of accessible transport services and accessibility of community environment for persons with disabilities. In this connection, the Administration planned to provide 20 additional Rehabuses in 2020-2021 to enhance the Rehabus service;
- (d) the policy objective of providing employment support for persons with disabilities was to enable them to take up employment in the open market on the basis of their abilities rather than disabilities. Vocational training programmes were provided for persons with disabilities to equip them with work skills for better chance of employment. The suggestion of setting up an employment quota system for persons with disabilities should be carefully considered to avoid possible stigmatization;

- (e) the Administration had implemented employment support measures for persons with disabilities which included job-matching services, creating job opportunities by promoting the establishment of social enterprises which employed persons with disabilities and increasing the subsidies for employers employing persons with disabilities;
- (f) the Administration had provided assistance for persons with disabilities to help them adapt to the workplace and for employers to learn how to work with persons with disabilities smoothly;
- (g) funds were provided for eligible employers to procure assistive devices and/or carry out workplace modifications with a view to facilitating the work of their employees with disabilities;
- (h) many employers had positive feedbacks about employing persons with disabilities. These feedbacks should be promulgated to encourage more employers to employ persons with disabilities;
- (i) the Labour and Welfare Bureau would commence a study on carer support policy, including carers of persons with disabilities. The study would cover, among others, the different needs of carers at various caregiving stages. The Administration would also make reference to overseas experience in providing support for carers in conducting the study;
- (j) support services for carers of persons with disabilities had also been strengthened. For example, the number of District Support Centres for Persons with Disabilities, Support Centres for Persons with Autism and Parents/Relatives Resources Centres had been increased;
- (k) the new RPP had recommended that the service quality of residential care homes for persons with disabilities ("RCHDs") should be enhanced through upgrading the notional staffing requirements, adjusting upward the statutory minimum area of floor space per resident, raising the accountability of licensees, mandating registration of home managers and continuous training of health workers. The Administration would work towards these directions in enhancing the service quality of

RCHDs;

- (l) the Administration had increased the number of residential respite places to cater for the provision of emergency placement service for persons with disabilities and would enhance the standards of such services;
- (m) given that application of technology was useful in helping elderly persons and persons with disabilities rehabilitate and reducing the burden of their carers, the Administration had increased the subsidies for elderly and rehabilitation service units to try out and procure/rent technology products in the past few years;
- (n) the Administration would continue to increase the provision of pre-school rehabilitation services with a view to achieving zero waiting time. There would be around 10 000 places for on-site pre-school rehabilitation services ("OPRS") in 2022;
- (o) the eligibility criteria for receiving after-school care support services had been relaxed and the number of such service places had been increased. Starting from October 2020, subsidies would be provided for children with special educational needs ("SEN") to use such services; and
- (p) the Administration was open minded towards renaming the new RPP and would listen to views in this regard during the public engagement exercise. To avoid confusion, RPP would continue to be used in the course of conducting the RPP review.

Discussion

The Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan Review

4. Dr Fernando CHEUNG shared the deputations' concern that the new RPP had not made concrete recommendations on how to address some long-standing problems such as the exceedingly long waiting time for residential care services ("RCS") and community care services, substandard quality of private RCHDs, etc. He also considered that the new RPP should be renamed as its service scope was not confined to rehabilitation services.

5. USLW responded that the Administration had implemented short, medium and long-term measures to address the needed premises for

welfare services. In addition to drawing up long-term plans for provision of welfare services, the Administration had proposed to allocate \$20 billion to purchase premises for the provision of welfare facilities. The Administration had also required private developers through land sale conditions to construct specified welfare facilities. A recent example was the successful bidder of the Kai Tak Area 4A Site 2 being required to construct specified welfare facilities, including facilities for rehabilitation services.

Support for children with special educational needs

6. The Deputy Chairman and Mr Michael TIEN expressed concern that many SEN children had no alternative but to study at ordinary kindergartens ("KGs") or ordinary child care centres ("CCCs") due to serious shortage of places in special child care centres ("SCCCs"). As a result, these SEN children were unable to receive suitable training and appropriate support. The Deputy Chairman further expressed disappointment that the new RPP had not made any short, medium or long-term recommendations to address the serious shortage of SCCC places.

7. Mr Michael TIEN said that there were 1 984 and 2 205 pre-school SEN children waiting for SCCC places in 2018 and 2019 respectively and the waiting time for these places was one to two years. Given that there would be profound effect on the development of SEN children if they were not provided with the necessary training early in their prime learning period, he called on the Administration to strengthen the manpower for providing pre-school rehabilitation services and arrange OPRS for SEN children in ordinary CCCs as soon as possible.

8. USLW explained that the total number of places of SCCC as well as that of Early Education and Training Centres would be increased by about 1 200 to about 6 700 from the 2019-2020 financial year to the 2021-2022 financial year. The Administration had also implemented a pilot project, through the Lotteries Fund, on the provision of support for children who showed signs of special needs and were waiting for assessment in KGs or KG-cum-CCCs. The RPP review would consider ways to address the service needs of SEN children. At the request of Mr Michael TIEN, USLW undertook to provide the Administration's response on whether and when OPRS would be provided for SEN children who were admitted to ordinary CCCs due to lack of SCCC places.

Admin

(At 5:58 pm, the Chairman extended the meeting for 15 minutes beyond the appointed ending time to allow sufficient time for discussion.)

Introduction of care service vouchers for persons with disabilities

9. The Deputy Chairman and Dr Fernando CEHUNG had reservation about the new RPP's recommendation of introducing care service vouchers for persons with disabilities. Dr CHEUNG remarked that as many service providers participating in the care service voucher schemes for the elderly implemented by the Administration were already unable to cope with the existing service demand, they would not have any spare capacity to meet the demand of persons with disabilities.

10. The Deputy Chairman pointed out that the Administration had adopted the concept of "money following users" by implementing various care service voucher schemes and providing subsidies, such as the Residential Care Supplement, for eligible persons to receive non-subsidized RCS. However, as the amount of Residential Care Supplement was too small, RCS provided by many private residential care homes were of poor quality. The Deputy Chairman was of the view that the concept of "money following users" had created a lot of service quality problems, and questioned how the Administration could ensure the quality of services provided under such a funding concept.

11. The Deputy Chairman further opined that care service vouchers with a co-payment mechanism should not be introduced for persons with disabilities because the effectiveness of the existing care service voucher schemes was still doubtful and the co-payment mechanism might result in decreased access to care services for the poor. Since persons with disabilities were exempted from means test for receiving subsidized rehabilitation services, he also questioned the justifications for introducing a means test mechanism under the care service voucher scheme for persons with disabilities. Dr Fernando CHEUNG considered that it was a basic need of persons with disabilities to receive care service. As such, they should not be required to pay for such services.

12. USLW responded that the new RPP was recommending exploring the feasibility of providing care service vouchers for persons with disabilities. This would neither replace the existing services nor affect the Administration's service provision plan for persons with disabilities. The Administration would listen to views of the community on the provision of care service vouchers during the public engagement exercise. The Administration would continue to enhance the services for persons with disabilities to address the service needs.

Support for self-help organizations

13. The Deputy Chairman said that the Administration had not increased the funding earmarked for self-help organizations although the number of such organizations had increased. As such, many self-help organizations did not have sufficient funds to meet their operating costs. In his view, simply reviewing the support for self-help organizations to promote self and mutual support among persons with disabilities and their carers as recommended by the new RPP was insufficient. He called on the Administration to implement strategies and set policy direction for the development of self-help organizations.

Motions

14. The Deputy Chairman moved the following two motions:

Motion 1

"特殊幼兒中心名額嚴重不足，令有嚴重特殊需要幼兒被迫入讀普通幼稚園，因而得不到適切的支援。本會促請行政當局透過"到校學前康復服務"向取錄有嚴重特殊需要的幼兒之普通幼稚園提供額外特殊幼兒工作人員，以加強康復訓練及協助學校提供合適支援，保障有嚴重特殊需要幼兒獲得適當支援及接受教育的權利。"

(Translation)

"Given the serious shortage of places offered by special child care centres, children with severe special educational needs ("SEN") have no alternative but to study at ordinary kindergartens and are not provided with appropriate support as a result. This Panel urges the Administration to, through On-site Pre-school Rehabilitation Services, provide additional special child care workers for ordinary kindergartens which have admitted severe SEN children, so as to enhance rehabilitation training and assist schools to provide suitable support for severe SEN children, thereby safeguarding their rights of obtaining appropriate support and receiving education."

15. The Chairman put the motion to vote. All members present voted for the motion. The Chairman declared that the motion was carried.

Motion 2

"本會促請政府從檢討及規劃傳統社區及家居照顧服務和建立一個第三方個案經理制度着手，讓所有有需要的殘疾人士均能得到可負擔、具專業性、以人為本的照顧服務。由於"長者社區照顧服務券試驗計劃"的成效仍然存疑，需要日後進一步交流和驗證，而殘疾人士的需要更多樣化，也更為複雜，我們不贊同政府在未有詳細考慮市場服務提供者及社區照顧的未來發展下，以相同模式推展至殘疾人士服務。"

(Translation)

"This Panel urges the Government to, by reviewing and planning traditional community and home care services and establishing a third-party case manager system in the first place, provide all persons with disabilities in need with affordable, professional and people-oriented care services. Given that the effectiveness of the Pilot Scheme on Community Care Service Voucher for the Elderly is still doubtful and needs to be further discussed and testified in future, whilst the needs of persons with disabilities are more diversified and complicated, we do not agree with the Government's rolling out of the same service model to persons with disabilities without taking into full account the future development of service providers in the market and community care services."

16. The Chairman put the motion to vote. All members present voted for the motion. The Chairman declared that the motion was carried.

II. Any other business

17. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 6:17 pm.

Council Business Division 2
Legislative Council Secretariat
21 April 2020

Panel on Welfare Services

Special meeting on Tuesday, 14 January 2020, at 2:30 pm

Formulation of a new Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan

Summary of views and concerns expressed by deputations/individuals

No.	Name of deputation / individual	Views
<i>Session One</i>		
1.	Alliance for Subvented Residential Care Service	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(09)]
2.	Disability Watch	[LC Paper No. CB(2)505/19-20(03)]
3.	Dr Donna WONG	[LC Paper No. CB(2)484/19-20(14)]
4.	Labour Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Instead of providing community care services ("CCS") for persons with disabilities through a care service voucher scheme, the Administration should allocate more resources to enhance the provision of rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities. ● Given that the development of CCS for persons with disabilities was not yet mature, the Administration should not introduce a care service voucher scheme for the provision of such services. ● The Administration should not adopt the co-payment arrangement in the provision of CCS for persons with disabilities.
5.	Mr WONG Chun-ho	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should provide subsidies for persons with disabilities to undergo health assessments and physical examinations under its care service voucher schemes, with a view to preventing osteoporosis.
6.	Heep Hong Parents' Association	[LC Paper No. CB(2)505/19-20(01)]
7.	Silveriders	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(08)]
8.	Office of Leslie Chan Ka Long, District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should set up a platform to facilitate persons with disabilities to use public transport services,

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	Councillor, Yau Tsim Mong District Council	<p>including Rehabus, franchised buses, taxis, etc., and provide subsidies for them to use taxi-hailing service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should provide subsidies for light bus operators to procure low-floor wheelchair-accessible light buses, and extend the Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities ("the Concession Scheme") to cover public light buses. ● Franchised bus companies should provide training for bus drivers on ways to load and unload wheelchair passengers. Besides, bus routes with lower frequencies should use vehicles which could accommodate two wheelchair passengers at the same time.
9.	Chosen Power (People First Hong Kong)	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(02)]
10.	Miss KWAN Kit-man	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should not adopt a "treatment-of-illness" approach to deal with service needs of persons with disabilities. As such, the Administration should consider renaming the Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan ("RPP") as "Disability Programme Plan". ● Given that special dental services would be provided to persons with intellectual disability, such services should be extended to cover all persons with disabilities. ● The Administration should enhance career development and training opportunities for ex-mentally ill persons who worked as peer supporters. Besides, the maximum level of disregarded earnings under the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance ("CSSA") Scheme should be raised to \$4,000 per month and applicable to all CSSA recipients.
11.	Mr LO Ho-yuen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RPP should be renamed as its service scope was not confined to rehabilitation services. ● To promote individual autonomy and independence of persons with disabilities, they should be allowed to apply for CSSA on an individual basis. Personal assistants should also be engaged to help persons with disabilities to improve their quality of life. ● As the provision of services for persons with severe disabilities was inadequate, the Administration should not extend the Home Care Service for Persons with Severe Disabilities to cover persons with moderate disabilities.

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12.	Special Education Society of Hong Kong	[LC Paper No. CB(2)484/19-20(08)]
13.	Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should set up an employment quota system for persons with disabilities in view of the employment difficulties encountered by persons with disabilities. Besides, the employment support measures proposed in the RPP review should be implemented in tandem with the employment quota system. ● The Administration should provide special and targeted services for persons with disabilities to cope with their ageing and health deterioration problems. Such services included enhancing the provision of speech therapy service and designing a systematic health programme for ageing persons with disabilities. ● The Administration should draw up concrete plans and targets for increasing the provision of residential care services ("RCS") for persons with disabilities and the manpower supply of both healthcare professionals and frontline care workers.
14.	Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children	[LC Paper No. CB(2)484/19-20(06)]
15.	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(01)]
16.	Elderly Rights League (H.K.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should improve the Pilot Scheme on Living Allowance for Carers of the Elderly Persons from Low Income Families and the Pilot Scheme on Living Allowance for Low-income Carers of Persons with Disabilities (hereunder referred to as "the two Pilot Schemes") so as to enhance the support for carers.
17.	Employment Support of Persons in Recovery Concern Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration and schools had not provided adequate support and assistance for children with mental health problems, and they had to wait for a long time for rehabilitation services. ● The eligibility criteria for the two Pilot Schemes should be relaxed.
18.	Mr YIP Man-chun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The RPP review lacked a policy direction to address the ageing problem of ex-mentally ill persons. Besides, the new RPP should have a concrete plan for implementation so that the public could monitor its

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		<p>implementation progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Given the heavy workload of case managers who provided support services to ex-mentally ill persons, RPP should plan for the provision of additional case managers. ● The pilot scheme to provide support for ex-mentally ill persons on the waiting list of Halfway Houses could not address the needs of ex-mentally ill persons.
19.	Persons in Recovery Concern Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should enhance support services for elderly persons and ex-mentally ill persons in view of their high living expenses.
20.	Ageing of Persons in Recovery Concern Group	<p>The Administration should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● extend the Concession Scheme to cover persons aged 60 or above and all persons with disabilities; ● waive the rent for persons aged 60 or above and persons with disabilities living in public rental housing; and ● increase the rates of allowances under the CSSA Scheme for persons aged 60 or above and persons with disabilities.
21.	Society for Community Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should draw up concrete plans and a timetable for reviewing RPP. ● The Administration should consider renaming "ex-mentally ill persons" as "people in recovery" in the new RPP. ● The RPP review should study how the support for ex-mentally ill persons could be enhanced to meet their long-term housing needs.
22.	關注殘疾人士照顧者平台	[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)484/19-20(12) to (13)]
23.	Alliance of Ex-mentally Ill of Hong Kong	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(04)]
24.	陳麗娟女士	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The eligibility criteria for the two Pilot Schemes should be relaxed. The requirements that carers must not be recipients of CSSA, Old Age Living Allowance ("OALA") or Disability Allowance ("DA") should be abolished. The Administration should regularize the two Pilot Schemes. ● The Administration should provide emotional support services for carers. ● Transport subsidies should be provided for carers to

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		relieve the heavy burden of their travelling expenses.
25.	Mr WHY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Having regard to the social tensions in Hong Kong, the Administration should introduce measures to support persons with mental health problems.
26.	Mr LEE Chi-yung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It was not appropriate to introduce a means test mechanism and co-payment arrangement for the provision of rehabilitation services. ● The Administration should: (a) plan for the provision of services for moderately mentally handicapped persons and severely mentally handicapped persons; (b) allow severely mentally handicapped persons in need of gastrostomy feeding to be admitted to care and attention homes; and (c) introduce measures to facilitate staff training and retention in the rehabilitation service sector. ● Emergency respite service should be provided for persons with disabilities so as to allow carers to take a short break.
<u>Session Two</u>		
27.	The Association of Parents of The Severely Mentally Handicapped	[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)484/19-20(03) to (04)]
28.	Miss WONG Tsz-yan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Services provided under the Visiting Medical Practitioner Service for Residential Care Homes were limited and not comparable to services provided by doctors in public hospitals. Besides, escort services for medical consultation should be provided for persons with disabilities. ● The Administration should set up an employment quota system for persons with disabilities. ● There should be no age restriction for persons with disabilities to receive RCS.
29.	Young Children SEN Concern Group	[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)484/19-20(07) and CB(2)542/19-20(05)]
30.	Mr WONG Wai-lung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The RPP review should cover the review of the Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Ordinance (Cap. 613), provision of "reasonable accommodation" for persons with disabilities in the Disability Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 487), life-long learning and continuous educational needs of

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		<p>persons with disabilities, setting up of small residential care homes for persons with disabilities ("RCHDs"), medical-social collaboration and articulation of services for elderly persons with disabilities, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should increase the provision of rehabilitation services and draw up a timetable for implementing measures to increase manpower supply for rehabilitation and care services for persons with disabilities.
31.	Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong	[LC Paper No. CB(2)484/19-20(11)]
32.	The Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the Mentally Handicapped	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should not adopt a "treatment-of-illness" approach to deal with service needs of persons with disabilities. ● The Administration should provide support to persons with disabilities to meet their needs in areas such as education, housing, transportation, etc. ● The Administration should conduct surveys on the population of persons with intellectual disability to facilitate the service planning for these persons. In view of the growing population of persons with disabilities, the Administration should review the staffing establishment of subsidized rehabilitation services.
33.	Ms YAU Chun	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(06)]
34.	Mr YEUNG Ka-keung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Persons with intellectual disability should not be subject to medical reviews for renewal of their eligibility for DA since their disabling conditions were permanent. ● Persons with intellectual disability were provided with limited resources and support when comparing to persons with other disabilities.
35.	Concerning Home Care Service Alliance	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(03)]
36.	關顧聯長者小組	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Carers were unable to attend to urgent personal matters due to a lack of emergency respite service. As such, the Administration should set up a 24-hour hotline to provide support for carers and simplify application procedures for emergency respite service. ● Respite service should not be provided by private residential care homes for the elderly ("RCHEs") participating in the Enhanced Bought Place Scheme in

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		<p>view of the poor quality of these homes. The Administration should increase the number of respite places to alleviate the burden of carers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The current provision of CCS could not address the needs of persons with disabilities. Emotional support and relevant training should be provided for persons with autism and persons with intellectual disability.
37.	關顧聯殘疾人士小組	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Case managers should be specially trained to understand the needs of persons with disabilities. ● The eligibility criteria for the two Pilot Schemes were too stringent, rendering many carers unable to benefit from the Pilot Schemes. Besides, the requirements that carers must not be recipients of CSSA, OALA or DA should be abolished. ● To promote core values enshrined in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities ("UNCRPD"), the Administration should endeavour to enable persons with disabilities to live independently in the community with dignity.
38.	關顧聯照顧者小組	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Labour and Welfare Bureau and the Education Bureau should collaborate to provide additional resources to kindergartens for engaging teachers as service coordinators, so as to enhance the coordination of the Pilot Scheme on On-site Pre-school Rehabilitation Services and the monitoring of the progress of children with special needs. ● The Administration should review the provision of pre-school rehabilitation services in a comprehensive manner, and enhance inter-departmental coordination to identify premises for the provision of such services. ● The Administration should discuss with tertiary institutions the provision of more training programmes on allied health services, so that there would be sufficient manpower supply of allied health professionals to provide rehabilitation services.
39.	Hong Kong Christian Service Child Rehabilitation Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should increase the quota and extend the duration of stay of the residential respite service for persons with disabilities. ● The quality of residential respite service provided by private RCHes was poor.
40.	關顧聯殘疾人士關注組	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Given that the Administration had not allocated adequate resources for the provision of RCS for persons with disabilities, the services provided by RCHDs were of substandard level.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should improve the quality of RCHDs by increasing the statutory minimum area of floor space per resident, raising the manning ratio of care workers to residents and enhancing the statutory staffing requirements. The Administration should also introduce measures to address the problem of manpower shortage of RCHDs. ● The training provided for persons with disabilities by the Administration could not address the employment difficulties faced by persons with disabilities.
41.	Association for the Rights of Hearing Impaired Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should provide subsidies to persons with hearing impairment for the purchase, repair and replacement of hearing aids. In particular, persons suffering from microtia/congenital aural atresia should be provided with extra subsidies for undergoing orthopaedic surgery. Besides, the Administration should enhance the quality of hearing aids provided for students with hearing impairment. ● The Administration should relax the eligibility criteria for DA to cover persons suffering from monaural hearing loss, extend the Concession Scheme to cover carers and provide subsidies for athletes with hearing impairment. ● The Administration should allocate additional resources to special child care centres and schools implementing integrated education for the provision of speech therapy service.
42.	Civic Party	[LC Paper No. CB(2)542/19-20(07)]
43.	Miss FUNG Wai-ying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Administration should set up a task force to regularly oversee and review the implementation of policies for persons with disabilities. ● To promote the core values enshrined in UNCRPD, the Administration should endeavour to enable persons with disabilities to live independently in the community with dignity. ● The Administration should consider renaming RPP as "Plan on issues relating to disabilities and rehabilitation services", with a view to expanding the scope of the RPP review.
44.	殘疾人士及長期病患者就業關注組	[LC Paper No. CB(2)484/19-20(05)]

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45.	Mr Stanley HO Wai-hong	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Administration should provide a simplified version of its report of the RPP review to facilitate the participation of persons with disabilities during the public engagement exercise.● The scope of the RPP review should cover the definition of persons with disabilities under DA, the consolidation of employment statistics for persons with disabilities, the provision of parking spaces for persons with disabilities and their accessibility in rural areas.
46.	Hong Kong Blind Union	[LC Paper No. CB(2)559/19-20(01)]

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