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Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 2) Notice 2020

(Made by the Director of Health under section 15 of the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599))

1. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on 29 April 2020.

2. Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance amended

The Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599) is amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Schedule 1 amended (scheduled infectious diseases)

(1) Schedule 1, after item 8—

Add

"8A. Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) (2019 冠 狀病毒病)".

(2) Schedule 1—

Repeal item 34AAA.

4. Schedule 2 amended (scheduled infectious agents)

Schedule 2, after item 26—

Add

"26A. Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (嚴重急性呼吸系統綜合症冠狀病毒2)".

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Explanatory Note

This Notice amends the list of scheduled infectious diseases in Schedule 1 to the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599) (*Ordinance*) as the name of the disease "severe respiratory disease associated with a novel infectious agent" (in item 34AAA) has been changed to "coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)" (in new item 8A).

2. This Notice also adds "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)" to the list of scheduled infectious agents in Schedule 2 to the Ordinance, in order to bring the virus within the scope of section 43 of the Prevention and Control of Disease Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. A). If a leakage of a scheduled infectious agent in a laboratory that may pose a public health risk comes to the knowledge of the owner or the person in charge of the laboratory, the owner or that person must notify the Director of Health immediately, as required by that section.