## **Panel on Health Services**

## List of follow-up actions

(Position as at 7 June 2021)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Development of Chinese medicine	17 December 2018	The Administration/the Hospital Authority ("HA") was requested to provide an update in respect of the examination being carried out by the Correctional Services Department in liaison with the Department of Health and HA on the recommendation put forward by the jury of a death inquest held by the Coroner's Court in June 2018 that the Administration should consider providing Chinese medicine services as an option for prisoners in prison hospitals.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
<ol> <li>Measures for the prevention and control of coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") in Hong Kong</li> </ol>	10 July 2020	The Administration was requested to: (a) advise the details of measures put in place by the Administration to ensure that appropriate infection control measures had been put in place by residential care homes for the elderly to minimize the risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19;	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		<ul> <li>(b) advise the respective numbers of monthly arrivals in May and June 2020 who were exempted from the quarantine requirement under the Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation (Cap. 599C) and the Compulsory Quarantine of Persons Arriving at Hong Kong from Foreign Places Regulation (Cap. 599E), with a breakdown by categories of persons;</li> <li>(c) advise whether persons who had to commute between the Mainland and Hong Kong on compassionate ground could be exempted from the respective compulsory quarantine requirements of the two places; and</li> </ul>	
		(d) provide a response to a media report concerning the hygienic problem involved in the production and packaging of the masks procured by the Administration under the Anti-epidemic Fund's Local Mask Production Subsidy Scheme for delivery free-of-charge to all residential households covered by Hongkong Post's delivery service.	

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3.	Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	13 November 2020	The Administration was requested to, in respect of its written reply to a question raised by Dr Hon Pierre CHAN at the Council meeting of 28 October 2020 that the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health had recorded a total of 1 485 locally acquired and possibly locally acquired cases of COVID-19 with unknown sources as at 25 October 2020, advise whether any of these cases had travel history outside Hong Kong in the past 14 days prior to symptom onset.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
4.	Briefing by the Secretary for Food and Health on the Chief Executive's 2020 Policy Address	8 January 2021	The Administration was requested to advise the utilization rate of the hotel rooms under the Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme and the percentage of inbound travellers who were tested positive for COVID-19 during or after the quarantine period since the implementation of the Scheme on 22 December 2020.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
5.	Proposed Member's Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161)	5 February 2021	The Administration was requested to provide information relevant to limited registration of medical practitioners under section 14A of the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161), including the number of such registration, the number of renewal application upon expiry of the registration after three years and the types	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		of employment engaged by these persons in each of the past three years.	
6. Enhancement of healthcare teaching facilities of University Grants Committee-funded universities	5 March 2021 (joint meeting with the Panel on Education)	<ul> <li>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</li> <li>(a) wording of the oath taken by students newly admitted to the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Hong Kong ("HKU") and The Chinese University of Hong Kong ("CUHK") respectively for committing to uphold the professional and ethical standards of being medical doctors in serving patients and the community;</li> <li>(b) details of the curriculum of the General Education courses of the two universities the medical students thereof are required to take;</li> <li>(c) the amount of respective fiscal reserves of HKU and CUHK with breakdown; and</li> <li>(d) actions to be taken by the Faculty of Medicine of HKU and of CUHK respectively on ways to enhance the ethical standards, professional conduct and</li> </ul>	The Administration's response was issued to members on 27 May 2021 via LC Paper No. CB(4)1028/20-21(01).

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		integrity of students who are to become medical practitioners in future.	
7. Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	12 March 2021	<ul> <li>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</li> <li>(a) the eligibility of claiming the Indemnity Fund for Adverse Events Following Immunization with Coronavirus Disease-2019 ("COVID-19") Vaccines and how it related to the evaluation outcome of the Expert Committee on Clinical Events Assessment following COVID-19 Immunization, in particular when individuals had underlying diseases (e.g. 3-Highs (i.e. high blood glucose, high blood pressure and high cholesterol); and</li> <li>(b) respective number of deaths following vaccination of Sinovac and Placebo under the Phase 3 clinical data of the vaccine by Sinovac.</li> </ul>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
8. Healthcare manpower projection	24 March 2021	The Administration was requested to provide the report on corporate governance of HA.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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Subject 9. Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	Date of meeting 9 April 2021	<ul> <li>Follow-up action required</li> <li>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</li> <li>(a) regarding the case of about 800 citizens who had failed to receive a short message service ("SMS") message containing their negative COVID-19 test results after receiving a free COVID-19 test provided by the Government from late November to late December 2020, the names of the community testing centres ("CTCs") involved and the number of such failure cases for each CTC;</li> <li>(b) regarding (a) above, whether the Administration would pursue the liabilities of the service provider(s) concerned;</li> <li>(c) the accuracy of the findings of a site investigation at a restaurant in K11 Musea concerning air flow conducted by, among others, Professor YUEN Kwok-yung in</li> </ul>	Administration's response The Administration will provide a response in due course.
		others, Professor YUEN Kwok-yung in early March 2021, as the relevant findings were contradictory to those conducted by HKU experts as commissioned by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department;	

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		(d) the number of bottles delivered by every general outpatient clinic of HA per month from December 2020 to April 2021; and	
		(e) reasons for the late schedule (i.e. June/July 2021) of requiring all staff of HA to undergo testing.	
10.ThedevelopmentofChineseMedicineHospitalandGovernment	9 April 2021	The Administration was requested to provide the following information:	The Chinese and English versions of the Administration's response were issued to members
Chinese Medicines		(a) the mechanism and criteria adopted by HA	on 10 May and 11 May 2021
Testing Institute in Tseung Kwan O		for procuring Chinese medicine; and	respectively via LC Paper No. CB(4)971/20-21(01).
ixwan o		(b) the positioning and work of the	CD(4))/1/20/21(01).
		Government Chinese Medicines Testing Institute ("GCMTI"). In this connection,	
		the Administration was also requested to:	
		(i) provide the details, functions and estimated cost of the proposed outdoor medicinal plant garden;	
		<ul> <li>(ii) provide the functions of the digitalized database on Chinese medicines and whether the database would be for exclusive use by</li> </ul>	
		GCMTI or could also be used by	

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		<ul><li>other organizations and/or the public; and</li><li>(iii) explain how GCMTI could help the industry concerned; and</li></ul>	
		<ul> <li>(iv) respond to the concerns raised by members in paragraphs 31 to 35 of the background brief prepared by the Secretariat on the subject (LC Paper No. CB(4)707/20-21(06)).</li> </ul>	
11.Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	4 May 2021	The Administration was requested to provide information on the number of Hong Kong people who have been stranded in India and Nepal.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
12.Measures for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in Hong Kong	14 May 2021	<ul> <li>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</li> <li>(a) advice on whether all of the 400 odd citizens who received a free COVID-19 test in Madam Yung Fung Shee Health Centre on 10 December 2020 could not receive an SMS message containing their negative COVID-19 test results; and</li> </ul>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		(b) specific measures to improve the compulsory quarantine arrangement for close contacts at the close-contact quarantine centres.	
13.Drug Formulary of HA and drug subsidies	14 May 2021	The Administration/HA was requested to advise:	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
		<ul> <li>(a) the action plan for reviewing the "secondary review" approach in vetting and approving applications for registration of pharmaceutical products containing new chemicals or biological entities, under which applicants are required to submit documentary proof of registration and certificates of free sale issued by the drug</li> </ul>	
		regulatory authorities of two or above of the recognized countries (e.g. whether the requirement of provision of relevant documents issued by the drug regulatory authorities of two or more recognized countries could be relaxed to provision of such documents of only one recognized country); and	
		(b) the action plan for discussing with the Mainland authorities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater	

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		Bay Area joint procurement of drugs with a view to reducing expenses on drugs.	

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