

Panel on Health Services**List of follow-up actions**

(Position as at 10 March 2025)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. The medium of instruction as a criterion for the Special Registration Committee to assess non-local medical programmes	21 July 2022	The Special Registration Committee was requested to report the outcome of its discussion on the medium of instruction as a criterion for assessment of non-local medical programmes to the Panel in August 2022.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
2. Treatment, rehabilitation services and support provided to persons in mental recovery and persons with mental health needs	19 June 2023	<p>The Administration/the Hospital Authority ("HA") was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the staffing establishment and number of vacancies of HA's psychiatric doctors and community psychiatric nurses;</p> <p>(b) the ratio of HA's psychiatric doctors to the population of Hong Kong;</p> <p>(c) the implementation timetable for the 10 enhanced measures on mental health services mentioned in paragraph 7 of the Administration's discussion paper (LC Paper No. CB(4)597/2023(01)), and</p>	The Administration/HA will provide a response in due course.

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		<p>the estimated increase in manpower (including healthcare manpower and social workers) required for implementing the 10 measures; and</p> <p>(d) if mentally-ill persons having a medical history of criminal violence or a disposition to commit such violence were detained, the place(s) of detention and number of persons detained.</p>	
3. Briefing by the Secretary for Health on the Chief Executive's 2023 Policy Address	17 November 2023	<p>The Administration/HA was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) on the Administration's plan to extend the coverage of the elderly health care vouchers in the Greater Bay Area ("GBA"), with the target of initially adding about five medical institutions in GBA as trial service points for provision of primary healthcare services, the locations of the medical institutions concerned and the status of cooperating with Hong Kong's medical institutions which provided services in GBA, and whether the Administration had encountered any difficulties in identifying these institutions;</p>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		<p>(b) given the shortage of social workers, the measures to be taken by the Administration to provide emotional support and counselling for ethnic minorities, and let women of ethnic minorities know the channels for seeking help; and</p> <p>(c) whether referrals of psychiatric patients to private medical practitioners would be made under the Public-Private Partnership Programme.</p>	
4. Report on the new mental health initiatives and work of the Advisory Committee on Mental Health	17 November 2023	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) under the “3-tier model” advocated by the Work Report of the Advisory Committee on Mental Health, whether it was possible to set up community mental health service teams, the unit responsible for the teams, the person-in-charge of the teams, how quality of the services concerned could be ensured, as well as roles of family doctors, psychiatrists and psychiatric nurses in private practice in the districts; and</p>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		(b) whether special intervention services for mental health would be provided in public housing estates with multiple suicide cases.	
5. Progress of the Hospital Authority's work in resuming the Hospital Accreditation Programme	12 April 2024	The Administration was requested to provide the Panel with a paper on the accreditation outcome after it is available, including the areas of improvement that had been recommended to the hospitals by the surveyors and the improvement measures to be taken by the hospitals.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
6. The Final Report of the Working Group on Oral Health and Dental Care and the Report of the Oral Health Survey 2021	13 December 2024	According to the Administration, the Community Dental Support Programme to be launched would provide dental services for underprivileged groups with financial difficulties. Some Members considered that since recipients of the Working Family Allowance were all low-income earners, they should be able to receive the above services directly without a social worker's referral. The Administration was requested to respond to the above view.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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7. Hospital Authority's Review of the Management of the Public Hospital System	13 December 2024	On a high-level Governance and Structure Reform Committee to be established by HA to steer the implementation of the recommendations made in the report of the Review Committee on the Management of the Public Hospital System regarding governance, accountability and distribution of responsibilities and related reform work, HA was requested to report to the Panel on the work progress in a timely manner.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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