

Panel on Health Services

List of follow-up actions

(Position as at 20 April 2015)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Pilot project on enhancing radiological investigation services through collaboration with the private sector ("Radi Collaboration")	12 December 2011	The Administration was requested to provide data on the average waiting time of cancer patients for radiological investigation services before and six months after implementation of the pilot project.	The Administration and the Hospital Authority ("HA") are considering the scope of public-private partnership programmes to be covered by the \$10 billion endowment fund, which may include the Radi Collaboration programme. The Administration will provide a response after the funding proposal is drawn up.
2. An overview of the re-development and expansion plans of public hospitals	15 July 2013	The Administration was requested to provide a breakdown of the catchment population, the number of beds per 1 000 population, the range of services (including those services that had yet been provided because of manpower constraint or other reasons, and the respective proportion of services provided to patients within and outside the catchment area of the hospital cluster concerned), the manpower shortfall of doctors and nurses, as well as the anticipated changes in the above areas for the next fifteen years (at	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		five-year intervals), by hospital clusters.	
3. Mechanism of the Hospital Authority to ensure safety in the use of medical equipment and products	20 October 2014	<p>The Administration was requested to provide -</p> <p>(a) detailed information to elaborate on the measures implemented by HA at the corporate level to ensure safety in the use of medical equipment and products as set out in paragraph 5 of the Administration's paper (LC Paper No. CB(2)2059/13-14(01)), and the monitoring mechanism in place to ensure that the established guidelines were followed; and</p> <p>(b) a summary of the findings and recommendations of the Root Cause Analysis Panel on the incident concerning the use of expired surgical sutures at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.</p>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
4. Quality management of pathology reports in the Hospital Authority	17 November 2014	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on -</p> <p>(a) the number of disciplinary actions taken by HA against its doctors</p>	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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		<p>arising from sentinel events reported to HA Head Office in the past five years, and among these doctors, the number of those who were referred to the Medical Council of Hong Kong for investigation as to whether or not a disciplinary inquiry should be conducted;</p> <p>(b) the establishment and the actual strength of pathologists of the pathology departments of the United Christian Hospital and other public hospitals; and</p> <p>(c) the percentage of audit check on pathology reports issued under the forensic pathology service of the Department of Health.</p>	
5. Expansion of Tuen Mun Hospital	19 January 2015	In the context of discussing the expansion of United Christian Hospital, the Administration was requested to provide information on the timetable for the expansion of Tuen Mun Hospital.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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6. Measures for the prevention and control of seasonal influenza	16 February 2015	The Administration/HA was requested to provide information on the daily average number of HA's Accident and Emergency first attendance who were non-eligible persons during the period of December 2014 to January 2015.	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1199/14-15(01) on 9 April 2015.
7. Sentinel and Serious Untoward Events Management in the Hospital Authority	16 February 2015	<p>The Administration/HA was requested to provide information on -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the number of complaints lodged with HA's Public Complaints Committee in relation to medical errors ; (b) the breakdown by hospitals of the number of sentinel and serious untoward events reported to the HA Head Office since the implementation of the relevant policy; and (c) the breakdown by types of the disciplinary actions taken by HA against its staff arising from sentinel and serious untoward events in the past five years. 	The Administration will provide a response in due course.

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8. Proposed loan for the development of the Chinese University of Hong Kong Medical Centre ("CUHKMC")	16 March 2015	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information prior to the Finance Committee meeting at which the funding proposal was to be considered -</p> <p>(a) operational details of the partnership arrangement between HA and The Chinese University of Hong Kong ("CUHK") that CUHKMC would take up referrals of specialist outpatient and day procedure new cases from HA in the specialties of gynaecology, orthopaedics, gastroenterology cum colorectal surgery and urology, including, among others, definition of "new cases", the referral criteria, the range of services to be provided by CUHKMC and the service monitoring mechanism;</p> <p>(b) in respect of the positioning of CUHKMC as a private cum teaching hospital,</p> <p>(i) elaboration on how CUHKMC could help to increase the overall training capacity for</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1246/14-15(01) on 14 April 2015.</p>

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		<p>healthcare professionals in Hong Kong;</p> <p>(ii) the mechanism in place to ensure that the devotion of time on the part of the teaching staff of the Faculty of Medicine of CUHK to private services would not adversely affect their teaching and research activities and the provision of public services in the Prince of Wales Hospital ("PWH"); and</p> <p>(iii) information on the income generated from private patient services provided by the teaching staff from the Faculty of Medicine of CUHK in PWH in the past five years; and</p> <p>(c) detailed explanations on how the net benefit brought about by the proposed loan to the public would outweigh the interest foregone by the Government in the five-year interest-free period.</p>	

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9. Research study on regulation of aesthetic practices in selected places	16 March 2015	The Administration was requested to provide information on the proportion of practitioners in the beauty industry who had participated and obtained qualifications recognized under the Qualifications Framework, and measures to increase the participation rate.	The Administration will provide a response in due course.
10. Progress of the General Outpatient Clinic ("GOPC") Public-Private Partnership Programme	16 March 2015	The Administration was requested to provide the list of the specified drugs, with information on their respective clinical indications, that private doctors participating in the GOPC Partnership Programme could purchase from HA's approved suppliers.	The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1287/14-15(01) on 20 April 2015.