## Applications for CCF Pilot Scheme on Subsidised Cervical Cancer Screening and Preventive Education for Eligible Low-income Women to close next month

The following is issued on behalf of the Community Care Fund Secretariat:

Applications for the Community Care Fund (CCF) Pilot Scheme on Subsidised Cervical Cancer Screening and Preventive Education for Eligible Low-income Women (Pilot Scheme) will close on December 13. The Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health (DH) today (November 13) appealed to eligible women to register for cervical screening services as early as possible.

Under the Pilot Scheme, eligible women will be subsidised to undergo cervical cancer screening tests at 10 service centres of three service providers, namely the Centre of Research and Promotion of Women's Health of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Family Planning Association of Hong Kong, and United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service. Eligible women may call these centres during office hours to arrange the service. The telephone numbers of the 10 service centres are shown below:

Service points	Telephone	
Centre of Research and Promotion of Women's Health of the Chinese University of Hong Kong	Enquiry or booking telephone no: 2609 5150	
The Family Planning Association of Hong Kong		
• Wan Chai Birth Control Clinic	Enquiry telephone no: 9062 7335 Enquiry WhatsApp no: 6879 3669	
• Ma Tau Chung Birth Control Clinic		
• Wong Tai Sin Birth Control Clinic		
Tsuen Wan Birth Control Clinic		
• Yuen Long Birth Control Clinic		
United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service		
• Jockey Club Wo Lok Community Health Centre	Enquiry or booking telephone no: 9517 5186 Booking WhatsApp no: 6226 5902	
• Bradbury Kwong Tin Community Health Centre		
• Jockey Club Tin Shui Wai Community Health Centre		
• Kwong Fuk Community Health Centre		

Women aged 25 to 64 who have ever had sex are recommended to have regular cervical cancer screenings every three years after two annual consecutive normal screens. Women aged 65 or above who have ever had sex and have never received a screening should also be screened. Women who are Hong Kong residents and beneficiaries of one of the following forms of assistance are eligible to join the Pilot Scheme.

Categories of assistance	Service charge	
1. Comprehensive Social Security Assistance		
<ol> <li>Level 0 voucher under the Pilot Scheme on Residential Care Service Voucher for the Elderly</li> </ol>	Free of charge	
3. Waiver of medical charges under the medical fee waiving mechanism of public hospitals and clinics		
4. Normal Old Age Living Allowance/Higher Old Age Living Allowance (Formerly known as Old Age Living Allowance)*	\$100 per visit	
5. Working Family Allowance (formerly known as Low-Income Working Family Allowance)		
6. Work Incentive Transport Subsidy		
7. Having household member(s) granted subsidy/remission under the School Textbook Assistance Scheme or the Kindergarten and Child Care Centre Fee Remission Scheme		

<sup>\*</sup> Holders of a valid Certificate of Higher Old Age Living Allowance (or the former Certificate of Old Age Living Allowance) Recipients (for Medical Waivers) will be exempted from payment.

The Pilot Scheme was launched in December 2017 with funding from the CCF for a duration of three years to provide cervical cancer screening and preventive education for eligible low-income women. The DH is the overall administrator and co-ordinator of this Pilot Scheme. Members of the public may visit the <a href="Community Care Fund website">Community Care Fund website</a> for eligibility criteria, application procedures and details of the Pilot Scheme.

Since 2004, the Government launched the territory-wide Cervical Screening Programme in collaboration with healthcare professionals in the public, private and non-government sectors to encourage women aged 25 to 64 who have ever had sex to receive regular cervical cancer screening. After the end of this Pilot Scheme, eligible women could receive cervical cancer screening through their family doctors, general practitioners, gynaecologists, non-government organisations or Maternal and Child Health Centres (MCHCs) and Woman Health Centres (WHCs) of the DH. For information on locations and opening hours of MCHCs and WHCs, please refer to <a href="https://www.fhs.gov.hk/english/">www.fhs.gov.hk/english/</a> for details.