

Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme open for applications

The Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme (the Scheme), which is launched by the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) under the second phase of the Anti-epidemic Fund, will be open for applications from May 4 to June 3.

The Scheme aims to provide a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to each eligible fitness centre to tide businesses over the financial difficulties arising from its closure pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (the Regulation)(Cap. 599F).

The application details of the Scheme are available on the website of the HAB (www.hab.gov.hk/en/aef_fitness_centre_subsidy_scheme). The application form and guidelines can be downloaded from the website.

Applications will be processed concurrently during the application period and will be assessed on the basis of all the information provided. To avoid delays in processing, applicants should ensure the accuracy of the information submitted.

The HAB has commissioned the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China to assist in implementing the Scheme. For enquiries concerning the Scheme and the application procedure, please call 2302 9089 or email to subsidy@hkpfa.org.hk.

According to the Regulation, fitness centres refer to all premises that provide exercise machines or equipment for use and/or provide advice, instruction, training or assistance (including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates or body stretching and martial arts) on improving physical fitness.