

# HA promotes Healthcare Talents Exchange in Greater Bay Area (with photos)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) delegation visited the Sun Yat-sen University (the University) and its First Affiliated Hospital (FAH) in Guangzhou today (February 23) to promote healthcare talents exchange in the Greater Bay Area (GBA), and attended a meeting to explore collaboration so as to enhance the quality of public healthcare services in the GBA.

The HA Chief Executive, Dr Tony Ko, said, "The Bachelor of Medicine (5-year Clinical Medicine medical program) of the University is one of the medical qualifications recognised by the Special Registration Committee. By visiting these high-quality universities, we hope to let medical students under training learn about the working environment and the advantages of serving in Hong Kong's public hospitals, with an aim to expand the manpower pool of GBA public healthcare system to cope with the growing service demand."

The HA introduced to representatives of the management of the University and its FAH the implementation of the Global Healthcare Talent Scheme and related exchange programmes in the GBA, as well as received a briefing about the University's clinical medical education.

The delegation also visited the FAH of the University to learn about the latest developments of healthcare institutions in the Mainland. The FAH is one of the Grade III Class A high-quality hospitals in the Mainland, which provides quality healthcare services, include treatment for critical and complicated diseases, and integrated Chinese and Western medicine service. The FAH has nominated doctors and nurses to participate in the HA GBA Healthcare Talents Exchange Programmes to conduct clinical observership or participate in clinical work in Hong Kong public hospitals, while the radiographers in HA and the FAH of the University had also paid visits to each other under the Programmes to facilitate professional exchange and mutual learning.

Dr Ko said that, in order to co-operate with the medical and health policies of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and deepen co-operation with relevant institutions in the medical and health field in different cities in the GBA, the The HA will continue to explore collaboration opportunities with different professional institutions in the region in order to improve the level of medical services in the region, cope with the challenges of aging population, and make greater contributions to the health and well-being of the general public. The HA will also continue visits to other medical institutions in the Mainland in the future for further collaboration and exchange.

