## Hospital Authority meets with Mainland health officials and delegations (with photos)

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â€<The Hospital Authority (HA) Chairman, Mr Henry Fan, and Chief Executive, Dr Tony Ko, took the opportunity of the delegations of the National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China and health authorities of various Mainland cities attending the HA Convention 2024 in Hong Kong to meet with them and exchange professional views and experiences on healthcare talent exchange, hospital management, medical technology applications, etc.

Participants in the meetings included a delegation led by Vice-Minister of the National Health Commission (NHC) of the People's Republic of China Mr Cao Xuetao. The HA representatives introduced the Global Healthcare Talent Scheme and various talent exchange programmes the HA has carried out on the Mainland.

Mr Fan said, "The HA has been carrying out various forms of co-operation and exchanges with different cities on the Mainland. The HA will continue to deepen co-operation with relevant institutions in the medical and healthcare field in different Mainland cities, and will continue to explore collaboration opportunities with different professional institutions to improve the quality of medical services in Hong Kong and Mainland cities, cope with the challenges of the ageing population, and make greater contributions to the health and well-being of the general public."

Mr Cao introduced the work in the Mainland's healthcare field and key tasks in 2024, and suggested further deepening practical co-operation in professional fields between the two places, and jointly support Hong Kong's integration into the overall national health development and actively participate in the global health governance system. He said he believes that through more exchanges, the expertise of healthcare professionals will be enhanced, and the development of medical services will be promoted in both Hong Kong and the Mainland.

In addition, the HA representatives also accompanied the NHC delegation and the Beijing Municipal Health Commission delegation to visit Queen Mary Hospital and Kwong Wah Hospital respectively, and met with representatives of the delegation of Shanghai Hospital Development Center to share views on the development of public hospitals and to discuss strengthening the co-operation between the two places on improving hospital management, clinical research, application of medical technology as well as improving hospital management levels. The HA will also arrange for other delegations to visit Prince of Wales Hospital tomorrow (May 18).

Mr Fan said that in the face of the formidable challenges of escalating service demands, the HA will adopt a multipronged approach and continue to improve the operational efficiency and service capabilities of public hospitals through exchanges, learning, and co-operation.





