

Hospital Authority welcomes announcement of new batch of recognised medical qualifications by Government

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) welcomed the Government's announcement today (June 26) regarding a new batch of recognised medical qualifications by the Special Registration Committee. The HA fully supports the Government's policy, and has been conducting various visits and recruitment activity promotions in different countries and regions in order to attract more qualified non-locally trained doctors to practice in Hong Kong.

The HA spokesperson said, "The HA has put much effort in recruiting overseas healthcare talent, including the establishment of the Global Healthcare Professional Recruitment Centre to co-ordinate all overseas recruitment programmes and regularise overseas recruitment activities. Recruitment events had been held in London and Manchester of the United Kingdom in April this year, with an aim to proactively encourage medical students to return to Hong Kong to work upon graduation, and to attract qualified overseas medical practitioners to serve the public in Hong Kong. The number of non-locally trained doctors currently working in the HA has increased to around 140 in May 2024 from 55 in March last year, and is expected to increase to around 250 by the end of this year."

To tackle the rising service demand for the public healthcare sector, the HA will prioritise the recruitment of all suitable medical graduates from local universities, and will also recruit more qualified non-locally trained doctors under special registrations and limited registrations. The HA has set up various channels including online platforms to handle enquires and applications from non-locally trained doctors by a dedicated team.