

# News story: UK and China agree £70 million of business in health sectors

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The UK government has facilitated more than £70 million of business between the health sectors in Britain and China at the annual UK–China High-Level People-to-People Dialogue event.

The event, hosted by Health Secretary Jeremy Hunt, brought together delegations from the business, academic, science and policy sectors to collaborate on health issues.

Agreements were signed between universities, hospitals, companies and academic councils. The ties will help share knowledge, expertise and resources to improve healthcare outcomes and practices in both countries.

Health Secretary Jeremy Hunt said:

Health is a key pillar in our relationship with China, and we must continue to work together to fight disease and improve health outcomes for all.

It is incredibly exciting to exchange ideas and knowledge with such an important partner. Our relationship is built on mutual trust and respect and this year's dialogue has only strengthened our bond.

The agreements include:

- UK–China joint declaration on health collaboration
- Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Oxford's Nuffield Department of Medicine, the China Scholarships Council, and the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences/Peking Union Medical College
- expansion of collaboration between Nottingham University and Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine. This includes further joint education and research in addition to their existing joint clinical pharmacy programme
- a deal between International Hospitals Group (IHG) and Hui Ci Health Management Group
- Beijing Huatong Guokang Foundation has completed deals with China UK Medical Exchange Limited and UK Medu Ltd to provide UK healthcare training services to Chinese doctors and hospitals