

Service fee adjustment for private doctors under GOPC PPP

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) today (July 22) announced that in consideration of the latest Composite Consumer Price Index, the service fee for the Participating Service Providers (PSPs) in the General Outpatient Clinic Public-Private Partnership (GOPC PPP) Programme will be increased from \$3,408 to \$3,486, at around 2.3 per cent, per patient per year at the maximum with retrospective effect from July 1, 2020.

According to the HA spokesperson, the calculation of adjustment was based on the commonly use Composite Consumer Price Index (Medical Services), published in the Monthly Report on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) by the Hong Kong Government's Census and Statistics Department for the period from July 2019 to June 2020.

"The maximum total payment to PSPs per patient per year, covering up to 10 consultations, will be increased from \$3,408 to \$3,486. Participating patients, however, will continue to pay only the HA GOPC fee of \$50 per attendance," the spokesperson said.

The GOPC PPP Programme has been implemented in all 18 districts in Hong Kong. The territory-wide implementation will give patients more choices in selecting their family doctors all over Hong Kong. As at end-June 2020, over 450 PSPs are providing consultation services to more than 36,000 GOPC patients who have joined the Programme.

"All HA PPP Programmes work on Electronic Health Record (eHR) platforms. PSPs and patients have to register for eHR if they wish to join the programmes, including the GOPC PPP Programme," the spokesperson added.

The HA will continue to monitor closely the implementation of GOPC PPP Programme and keep in view closely the feedback from service providers, patients and other concerned parties.