SLW visits residential care home to view implementation of outreach vaccination service special programme (with photos)

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Mr Chris Sun, visited a residential care home for the elderly (RCHE) in Sheung Wan this afternoon (December 20) to view the implementation of the outreach vaccination service special programme for residential care homes (RCHs).

Accompanied by the Chairman of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals, Mr Herman Wai, Mr Sun was briefed by the Supervisor of the RCHE on its infection control measures to guard against respiratory tract infections as well as the progress of residents on receiving COVID-19 vaccination and seasonal influenza vaccination (SIV). Mr Sun then observed the vaccination for residents by the medical team. He encouraged the residents to receive COVID-19 vaccination and SIV to enhance personal protection in a timely manner.

Mr Sun said, "As there may be more activities in RCHs during the festive season, to better protect residents of RCHEs and RCHs for persons with disabilities, the Government launched a new round of outreach vaccination service special programme for RCHs on December 14. Medical teams will visit RCHs at least once a week to administer COVID-19 vaccines to residents who are due for vaccination, especially for an additional booster. SIV will also be provided concurrently for residents who have yet to be vaccinated to attain dual protection."

In addition, Mr Sun presented festive gifts and extended early winter solstice, Christmas and New Year greetings to the elderly and appealed to them to take precautions against the cold weather. He also reminded staff members of the RCHE to take heed of residents' health during the cold spell.









