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I commend the Food & Health bureau for swift measures on the potential spread of the influenza at the school a few months ago.

Suggestions as follow -

1) Overall, the different health care reform proposals is putting the financial responsibilities on the citizen. What about helping the citizens to be more responsible about their own health.- e.g. educate healthy life style to prevent chronic illness in later yrs, routine health care - flu shot, cancer screening etc
Need to educate citizens, that money in health care account may not be adequate if no change in life style.

2) HK need to make preventive health care more accessible for all socioeconomic levels, esp elderly, disabled, middle /lower class,

e.g.. influenza, if taking flu shot is more accessible, may be those children's lives would have been spared. Before flu season approach, have flu shots stations at schools, elderly centers, shopping centers, public housing etc.

3) Designate certain percentage of tax from luxury items - for funding of new clinics & hospitals, Acutally HK has a huge budget surplus, may be the tax on luxury items is not needed.

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