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Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the Government in taking an initiative to reform the HK healthcare system. A healthcare reform is definitely necessary given the aging population in HK. I believe something needs to be done as soon as possible though I understand the consultation process is necessary and there are many other issues, such as the declining supply of healthcare providers, which need to be resolved. I personally think that the Government should choose a reform which benefits most people of the society and in my view, that reform should include compulsory insurance in one form or the other for most people living in HK (i.e. option 5 or 6). In addition,

* It is important to ensure that people above a certain age are still able to buy health insurance at a reasonable price.

* If the personal healthcare reserve option is selected, transitional arrangements should be made for people who do not have much healthcare reserves accumulated before their retirement.

* An increase in the price of healthcare services may be unavoidable in order to attract the suppliers of healthcare services.

* An important part of the healthcare reform is to start with healthcare awareness of the society. For example, introduce more exercise classes at school to ensure our future generations are healthier than those of the past.

I hope this reform can be put into motion as soon as possible and I wish to remain anonymous if my views are published.

Regards

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