

**The Ninth Meeting of the Community Care Fund Task Force**  
**8 October 2014**

**Summary of Discussion**

The Community Care Fund (CCF) Task Force under the Commission on Poverty (CoP) held its ninth meeting on 8 October 2014. A summary of the discussion is as follows:

1. Members noted the progress report of current assistance programmes under the CCF. Among other things, they agreed that resources would be redeployed from within the existing budget for administrative costs under the “Elderly dental assistance programme” (the Programme) to cover the expenses of the Hong Kong Dental Association on preliminary additional manpower support and the development of a computer system in light of the extension proposal for the Programme.
2. Members noted that the conditions and service needs of elderly beneficiaries receiving subsidy under the “Subsidy for elders who are on the waiting list of Integrated Home Care Services (Ordinary Cases) for household cleaning and escorting services for medical consultations” programme were being reviewed by the Integrated Home Care Service Teams of the Social Welfare Department (SWD), to see if they had priority service needs. The SWD would report to the Task Force on the findings and related follow-up arrangements.
3. Members noted that the Education Bureau would organise a series of focus group meetings on the “After-school care pilot scheme” by inviting different types of schools and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to attend. It is aimed to understand students’ needs and the actual operation of schools and NGOs, with a view to consolidating the after-school support initiatives of the Government.
4. Members supported the third extension of the “Special care subsidy for the severely disabled” programme and the additional expenses required for such an extension. The proposal would be submitted to the CoP for consideration.

5. Members had a preliminary discussion on the proposals of new assistance programme made by the Legislative Council Subcommittee on Poverty and representatives from various organisations at the Subcommittee meeting on 23 June 2014. Members considered that not all proposals were feasible while some had certain difficulties in implementation and the others required further study.