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Dear Doctor,

**Framework of Government's Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic**

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), influenza pandemics are sudden, unpredictable and yet inevitable events. Influenza has been the cause of several global health emergencies during the last century and experts anticipate that the next pandemic, whenever it happens, will produce a considerable strain on public health resources.

Drawing on our experience in handling infectious disease outbreaks and taking into account the strategies and plans developed in other countries, we have drawn up the Framework of Government's Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic. The Plan envisages three response levels: "Alert", "Serious" and "Emergency" and a clear command and response co-ordination structure is in place to cater for these different response levels.

The Plan is now available. You are most welcome to download it at [http://www.chp.gov.hk/files/pdf/framework\\_influenza\\_pandemic\\_english\\_20050127.pdf](http://www.chp.gov.hk/files/pdf/framework_influenza_pandemic_english_20050127.pdf)

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