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BY EMAIL AND BY POST

13 June 2024

Dear Doctors Enrolled in the VSS,

Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (VSS) 2024/25,
Elderly Health Care Voucher Scheme (HCVS)
Invitation to Briefing, Enrolment and Request for Service Fee Information

Thank you for your support and contribution to the VSS. We would like to i) inform you the arrangement of VSS in the 2024/25 season; ii) provide you an update of HCVS; and iii) to invite you to the briefings concerned.

I. Arrangements of VSS 2024/25

A. Eligible Groups

For VSS 2024/25, the eligible groups for subsidised seasonal influenza vaccination (SIV) and subsidised pneumococcal vaccination are the same as those of the 2023/24 season.

Please see details in **Annex I**.

B. Subsidies

The subsidies for SIV, 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (23vPPV), 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13) and 15-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine are as follows:

1. SIV – HK \$260 each dose;
2. 23vPPV vaccination – HK \$400 each dose;
3. PCV13 vaccination – HK \$800 each dose;
4. PCV15 vaccination – HK \$800 each dose.

Please see details in **Annex I**.

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C. VSS Vaccination at Non-Clinic Settings

VSS doctors who have registered a practice for vaccination at non-clinic setting can accept invitations from organisations/ companies to provide outreach vaccination services for all eligible groups. For VSS School Outreach (Extra Charge Allowed) Programme, school children, regardless of their Hong Kong resident status, will be eligible for vaccination subsidy in vaccination activities taking place at their schools. The subsidy levels for all vaccines administered in outreach settings will be the same as those administered in clinics.

As in previous years, a notification form should be submitted to Programme Management and Vaccination Division (PMVD) at least two weeks before the vaccination date, please refer to Notification on Vaccination Activity at Non-clinic Setting of Vaccination Subsidy Scheme - Download Useful Forms (Medical Practitioners) (<https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/features/45851.html>). Failure to notify two weeks in advance is a non-compliance with the Doctors' Guide and the Agreement with enrolled doctors under VSS.

D. Agreement, Doctors' Guide and Requirement to enrol in PCD

The Terms and Conditions of the Agreement for VSS ("the Agreement") in 2024/25 season and the Doctors' Guide will soon be updated and uploaded to the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) website for enrolled VSS doctors' information and compliance. A separate e-mail will be sent to you in due course to highlight the updates for VSS 2024/25.

E. Provide Service Fee Information for continue enrolment in VSS

Should you wish to continue your enrolment in the coming VSS 2024/25, the following updated information should be submitted to the PMVD:

- (i) The eligible group(s) under the type(s) of vaccination mentioned at **Annex I** that you would like to provide service under VSS 2024/25; and
- (ii) The service fees that you would charge in respect of each of these eligible group(s) under the type(s) of vaccination that you opt to provide.

Please complete the "Provision of Information on Service Fees" Form at **Annex II** and kindly note that your subsidy claims will **NOT** be processed if you do not provide the information. The information of (i) and (ii) above will be displayed at the eHealth System (Subsidies) - List of Enrolled Healthcare Service Providers (<https://apps.hcv.gov.hk/Public/en/SPS/Search>) for public viewing. It is the obligation of VSS enrolled doctors to provide accurate information so as to maintain information

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transparency and easy search by the public. Completed form(s) should be returned to the PMVD by fax to 2713 9576 or email to vacs@dh.gov.hk on or before 6 September 2024.

For updates on other particulars, please use the attached “Request to Change Particulars” Form at **Annex III**.

II. Update of the HCVS

The HCVS was launched in 2009 to subsidise eligible elderly persons to use private primary healthcare services that best suit their health needs. At present, elderly persons aged 65 or above are provided with an annual voucher amount of \$2,000 and the accumulation limit of vouchers is \$8,000. Registered medical practitioners are invited to join the HCVS to facilitate elderly persons to use private healthcare services in their local communities. The opportunity is also taken to remind medical practitioners enrolled in the HCVS to observe and comply with the terms and conditions of the HCVS Agreement, which is accessible via the HCVS website (https://www.hcv.gov.hk/files/pdf/HCVS_Agreement_Eng.pdf).

III. Invitation to Briefings

To provide more details on the arrangement for VSS 2024/25 and the HCVS, we would like to invite you to attend **one of the** following identical online briefing sessions:

Title: Briefing Session on Recommendations on Seasonal Influenza Vaccination and Pneumococcal Vaccination, Vaccination Subsidy Scheme 2024/25 and Elderly Health Care Voucher Scheme	
Date: 3 July 2024	Date: 11 July 2024
Time: 14:30 to 16:00	Time: 10:30 to 12:00
Venue: Conducted through ZOOM	Venue: Conducted through ZOOM

If Tropical Cyclone Signal No. 8 or above, or Rainstorm “BLACK” Warning, or “extreme conditions”, is issued (or still in effect) at 9:00 am or thereafter, the event will be cancelled and rescheduled to another date. Registered persons will be notify separately.

If you are interested in joining the Zoom briefing, please complete the reply slip at **Appendix** and return to Programme Management and Vaccination Division by fax 2713 9576 or email to vacs@dh.gov.hk on or before 26 June 2024 (Wednesday).

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IV. Enquiries

We look forward to your continuous support to VSS 2024/25. Please feel free to contact the PMVD at our designated telephone line for VSS doctors, 2125 2299 or 3975 4806, for any enquiries.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Hung', written in a cursive style.

(Dr Aaron HUNG)
for Director of Health

To: Programme Management and Vaccination Division

(Fax. No.: 2713 9576 or email to vacs@dh.gov.hk)

Please return the completed reply slip **on or before 26 June 2024 (Wednesday)**.

Reply Slip

Briefing Session on Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (VSS) 2024/25 and Elderly Health Care Voucher Scheme (HCVS)

I will join the briefing session indicated below.

Session	<input type="checkbox"/> Session 1: 3 July 2024 (Wed) [2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.] / <input type="checkbox"/> Session 2: 11 July 2024 (Thur) [10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.] *
Venue	Online via ZOOM

Doctor's Name:	(First Name)
	(Last Name)
MCHK Registration Number: (Full / Limited Registration) <i>e.g. M01234</i>	
MCHK Registration Number: (Specialist Registration) <i>e.g. S01-0001</i> ; <i>Please input "N/A" if not applicable</i>	
CME Administrator*: <i>For registered medical practitioners on the Specialist Register of the MCHK, please specify your Academy College in "Others".</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Department of Health / <input type="checkbox"/> Hong Kong Doctors Union / <input type="checkbox"/> Hong Kong Medical Association / <input type="checkbox"/> Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (for non-specialist) / <input type="checkbox"/> Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (for specialist, please specify your Academy College in "Others"); Others: _____
Service Provider ID (for registered medical practitioners already enrolled in VSS and/ or HCVS) <i>Please input "N/A" if not applicable</i>	
Contact Tel. No.:	
Email address: <i>The webinar login details of the briefing sessions will be sent to the email addresses provided in due course. The same email address will also be used for checking attendance to the briefing sessions. When joining the webinar, please ensure the same email address is entered on ZOOM if prompted.</i>	

* Please tick as appropriate

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Remarks

- The purpose of collecting personal information in this form is for the arrangement of the briefing sessions, record keeping and compilation of statistics.
- Subject to the requirement of the Continuing Medical Education (CME) Programme Administrations, a post-briefing quiz may be arranged for the purpose of granting CME accreditation.
- The presentation and the discussion will be conducted in Cantonese whereas the content of the presentation materials is in English. The presentation materials will be uploaded onto the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) website after the briefing sessions.