<u>Community Dental Support Programme</u> <u>Participant Information Notice</u>

1. Eligibility

- 1.1 To become an eligible person ("Eligible Person") that can be enrolled in the Community Dental Support Programme (CDSP) as a participant ("CDSP Participant"), an individual must:
 - (a) be a holder of a valid Hong Kong Identity Card within the meaning of the Registration of Persons Ordinance (Cap. 177 of the laws of Hong Kong), unless he/she is a holder of the Hong Kong Identity Card by virtue of a previous permission to land or remain in Hong Kong granted to him/her and such permission has expired or ceased to be valid; or is a holder of a valid certificate of exemption within the meaning of the Immigration Ordinance (Cap. 115 of the laws of Hong Kong); and
 - (b) be a current beneficiary / recipient of any one of the following:
 - "Old Age Living Allowance" administered by the Social Welfare Department ("SWD") of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China ("Government"); or
 - (2) "Co-payment Category II" under the "Community Care Service Voucher Scheme for the Elderly" administered by the **SWD**; or
 - (3) "Integrated Home Care Services (Frail Cases)", "Enhanced Home and Community Care Services" and "Home Support Services" subvented by the **SWD** while paying Level 1 or Level 2 fee charge or co-payment for the said services; or
 - (4) "Medical Fee Waiver" under the medical fee waiver mechanism put in place by the Hospital Authority; and
 - (c) has enrolled in the Electronic Health Record Sharing System of the **Government** ("**eHealth**").
- 1.2 If at any time after being enrolled in the CDSP, a **CDSP Participant** ceases to fulfil any of the eligibility criteria set out in Section 1.1(a) to (b) above and/or ceases to agree to/comply with the eligibility criterion set out in Section 1.1(c) above, he/she shall not be entitled to receive any subsidy from the **Government** ("**Government Subsidy**") under the CDSP immediately after he/she no longer fulfils any of the aforementioned eligibility criteria.

2. Aims and Scope of the CDSP

- 2.1 CDSP aims to promote early identification and timely intervention of dental diseases among the underprivileged groups with financial difficulties through provision of the subsidised **CDSP Services** (as defined in Section 2.3 below) to the **CDSP Participants**.
- 2.2 A **CDSP Participant** shall be entitled to select a dental clinic operated by nongovernmental organisations which have participated in the CDSP ("**Selected NGOs**"), by approaching the clinic him/herself.
- 2.3 The **Selected NGO** shall provide a **CDSP Participant** the following subsidised services ("**CDSP Services**") in each Revolving Period, which shall last for 180 calendar days (the "**Revolving Period**")¹:
 - (a) an oral health assessment, including registration and record of medical information, intra- and extra-oral status information, and other relevant oral health information for dental care planning;
 - (b) necessary medication for dental pain relief;
 - (c) only if the attending dentist of the Selected NGO registered under the Dentists Registration Ordinance (Cap. 156 of the laws of Hong Kong) in his/her professional judgment of the oral health assessment of the CDSP Participant considers such CDSP Participant is suitable for receiving any or all of the following:
 - (i) X-ray examination, including a maximum of three (3) intra-oral X-ray or a maximum one (1) panoramic X-ray for each **CDSP Participant**; and
 - (ii) dental filling or tooth extraction as treatment for one (1) tooth (as one (1) "Teeth Filling/Extraction Quota"), with a maximum of three (3) Teeth Filling/Extraction Quotas for each CDSP Participant. For the avoidance of doubt, any unused Teeth Filling/Extraction Quotas in a Revolving Period cannot be carried forward to the next Revolving Period.
- 2.4 A **CDSP Participant** shall acknowledge and agree that the **Government** may vary the scope of the **CDSP Services** from time to time and any such variations will be binding on him/her. The current scope of the **CDSP Services** may be found at <u>https://www.communitydental.gov.hk/en/cdsp/index.html</u>.

¹ The first **Revolving Period** shall start on the date on which an **Eligible Person** becomes a **CDSP Participant**.

3. Administration Fee

- 3.1 While the Government subsidises the CDSP Participants with the Government Subsidy for the CDSP Services, the Selected NGO shall be entitled to charge a CDSP Participant an administration fee for its performance and provision of the CDSP Services set out in Section 2.3(c)(ii) above as prescribed in the appendix to this Notice the scale set out in the thematic website of **CDSP** / at at https://www.communitydental.gov.hk/en/cdsp/index.html ("Administration Fee").
- 3.2 The **Selected NGO** may provide dental treatments that fall outside the scope of the **CDSP Services** if so agreed by the **CDSP Participant** ("**Optional Services**"). The **CDSP Participant** acknowledges and agrees that the **Selected NGO** shall be entitled to charge him/her fees for the provision of such **Option Services** and he/she shall bear all of the cost of procuring such **Optional Services** at his/her own expense. The **CDSP Participant** further acknowledges and agrees that the **Government** shall not be responsible for any fees or payments incurred therefrom.
- 3.3 Should a **CDSP Participant** have any feedback or wish to file any complaint in respect of the **CDSP Services** or the **Selected NGOs**, he/she may call the designated hotline 2111 3403 or refer to details listed at https://www.communitydental.gov.hk/en/cdsp/index.html.