Arrangement for Reimbursement of Co-payment under the Pilot Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Scheme in Cataract Surgeries

Eligible persons who participate in the pilot scheme may apply for reimbursement of co-payment not exceeding $8,000 made to the private ophthalmologist upon completion of the cataract surgery. Application for reimbursement should be made to the Director of Health using the reimbursement application form. The form can be downloaded from the Civil Service Bureau website at www.csb.gov.hk. Since the cataract surgery is performed by a private ophthalmologist, Part A of reimbursement application form (viz. medical certification by the attending Hospital Authority (HA) doctor) needs not be completed for the purpose of seeking reimbursement of co-payment under the scheme. Instead, applicants should provide the following supporting documents together with the completed Parts B to D of the reimbursement application form -

(a) copy of the invitation letter issued by HA inviting the applicant to participate in the PPP cataract surgeries programme; and

(b) receipt issued by the private ophthalmologist showing the amount of co-payment made by the applicant.

2. Eligible persons should note that the co-payment (capped at $8,000 per case) is not reimbursable if the relevant cataract surgery is not performed within six months of confirmation of enrolment in the HA scheme or not performed by private ophthalmologists participating in the scheme. The above reimbursement arrangement is subject to review.