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Dear Dr Ko,

**Public Consultations on Regulation of Private Healthcare Facilities**

Thank you for your letter dated 15 December 2014 inviting Hong Kong Dental Association to give views on the subject document released by the Government in December 2014.

When general anaesthesia (GA) and deep sedation such as monitored anaesthetic care (MAC) and intravenous sedation (IV sedation) are applied to dental and medical procedures, some possible side effects, risks and complications may be associated with. To safeguard the health of the public, regulations governing the application of GA, MAC and IV sedation in dentistry should be reinforced to eliminate unsupervised procedures in Hong Kong. We are of the view that the above-mentioned modes of anaesthesia or sedation should only be conducted within accredited premises equipped with certain standard of facilities such as resuscitation equipment.

We are in principle supportive of the Government's initiative of tightening up the regulatory system of private healthcare facilities as set out in the document. Having said that, the Government shall consider the need of further collecting sufficiently broad range of views from different stakeholders when devising the regulatory system.

The Association endeavors to contribute for the furtherance of the health and safety among members of the public.

Yours sincerely,

For and on behalf of Hong Kong Dental Association

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