



**Update on
Community Pharmacy Programme (CPP)
&
Community Drug Formulary (CDF)**

Hospital Authority

26 March 2026

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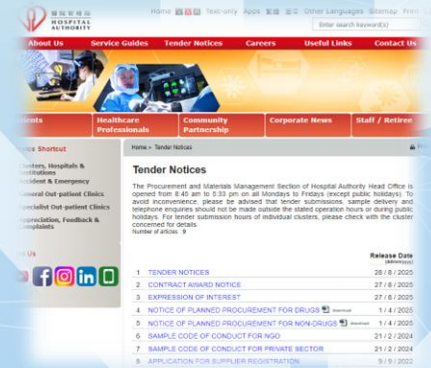


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Highlights of Previous Briefings (Aug & Oct 2025)

Aims

- Programme drugs for programme patients
- Closed-loop consumption based replenishment
- Drug price masked from Community Pharmacies and Family Doctors

Means

- Arrange Contract or Standing Quotation (including current Direct Purchase items) to support CPP and CDF
- Transitional arrangement for existing Contracts and Standing Quotation

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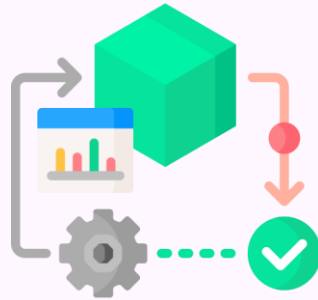


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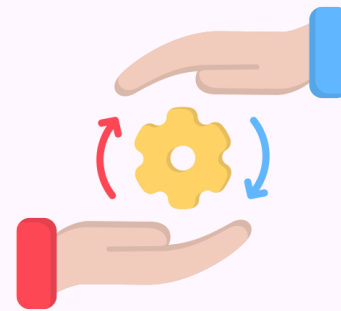
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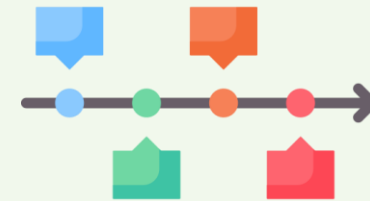
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1. Update on Programmes

- Community Pharmacy Programme
- Community Drug Formulary

Progress of the Community Pharmacy Programme (CPP)

Up to 5 Community Pharmacies per district

Conditional Award to Tenderer

- Proof of readiness
- Connectivity with eHealth
- Service setup

Service commencement in 4 districts, then extend to cover 18 districts

First-stage Tender Exercise



4Q2025

2Q2026

4Q2026

1Q2027

CPP (Community)

CPP (RCH)

First-stage Tender Exercise

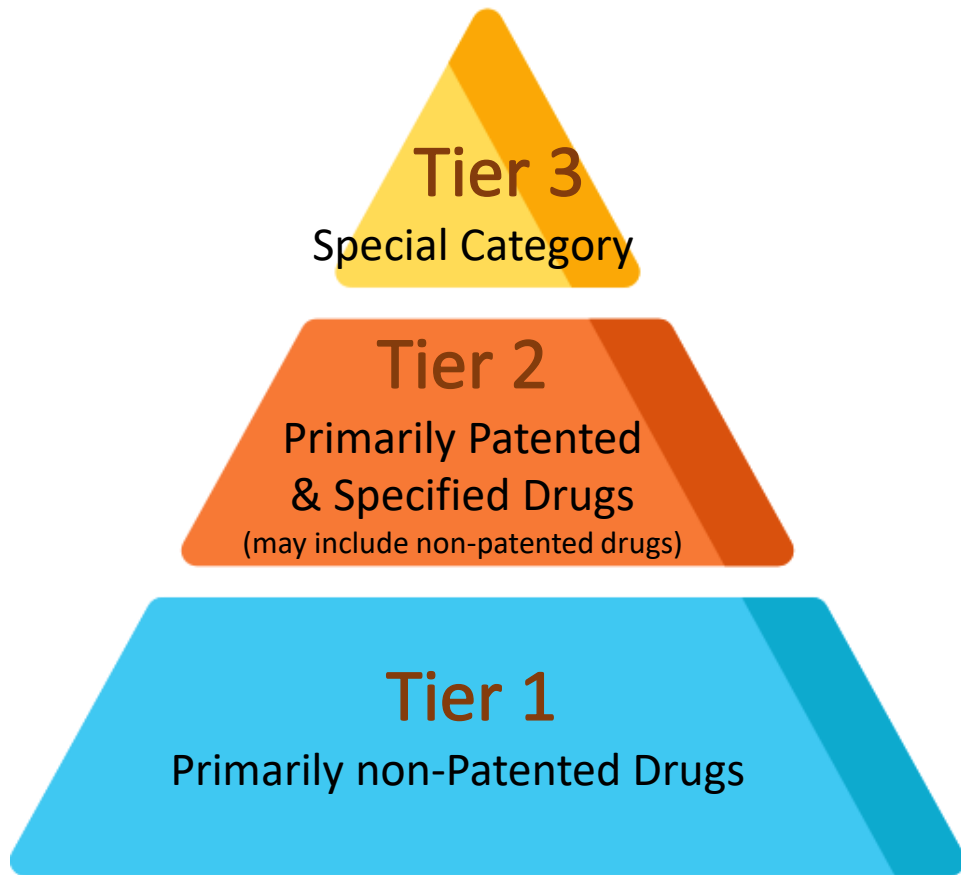
Phased implementation

Scope of the CDF

- Covers drugs **commonly** used in primary care setting for preventive care, episodic and chronic conditions, but does **not extend to the full range** of drugs use in primary care
- Clinical application of these drugs guided by the Hong Kong Reference Framework
- Applicable to all government-subsidised primary care programmes (CDCC, Elderly Health, Women's Health, etc.)
- Service providers:
 - Family doctors (FDs) participating in government-subsidised primary care programmes
 - Community pharmacies (CPhs) participating in the CPP (Community)
- Service users:
 - Patients under government-subsidised primary care programmes

Drug Tier Framework

Drugs listed in the CDF are categorized into three tiers, each with specified inclusion mechanisms, pricing structures, and co-payment arrangements



Tier 3

- Special categories, which may include drugs outside HADF
- Offer more comprehensive and affordable options for patient
- To be developed when more experience is gained

Tier 2

Patient Copayment (by bandings): at fixed fee per dispensing unit (fee vary across bandings)

Tier 1

Patient Copayment: Nominal fee at \$X per 4 week per item

Selection and Review of CDF

Selection Process

- Drug selection for CDF mainly based on the HA Drug Formulary (HADF) +/- DH vaccines
- Joint procurement with HA on HA drugs, leveraging its well-established procurement mechanisms to support the supply of CDF drugs
- Selection of drugs is governed by the Primary Healthcare Commission (PHCC) under a tiered model
 - (i) Clinical Advisory Platform (CAP)
 - (ii) Community Drug Formulary Panel (CDFP)
 - (iii) Primary Healthcare (PHC) Committee

Review Process

- **Regular** Annual review to keep the formulary updated and aligned with the government-subsidised primary care programmes
- **Ad-hoc:** Triggered by new programmes, HA contract changes affecting drug enlistment, safety alerts or change in clinical practice

Procurement of CDF Drugs

Non-patented drugs

- Procure through HA open tenders

Patented drugs

- Selection through a quotation exercise
 - Pharmaceutical companies are invited to participate on voluntary basis

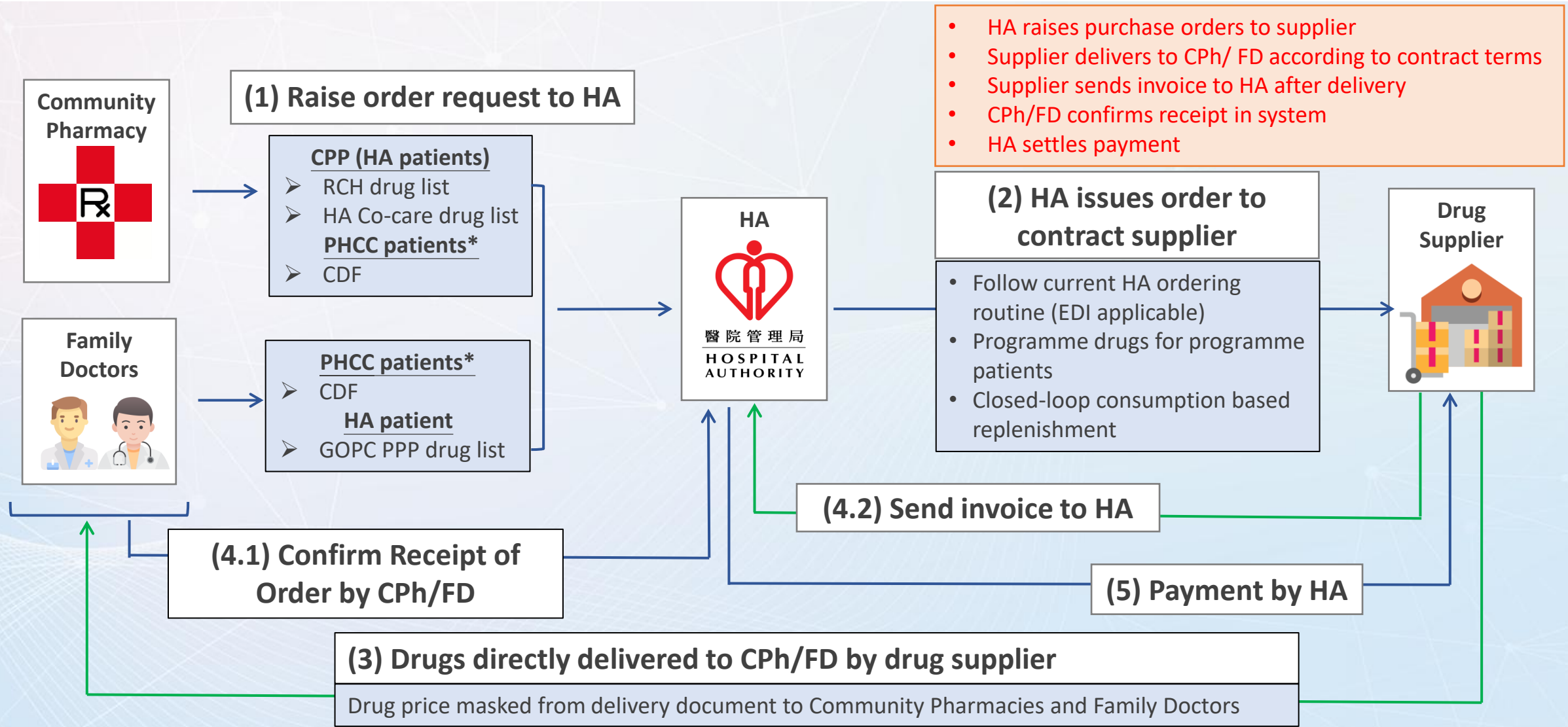
Implementation of CDF

- CDCC will transit to adopt the CDF mechanism
- GOPC PPP will also transit to adopt the CDF mechanism
- Continue support to GOPC PPP is required before the programme concludes in 2028



2. Procurement to Payment Workflow for CPP and CDF

Procurement to Payment Workflow



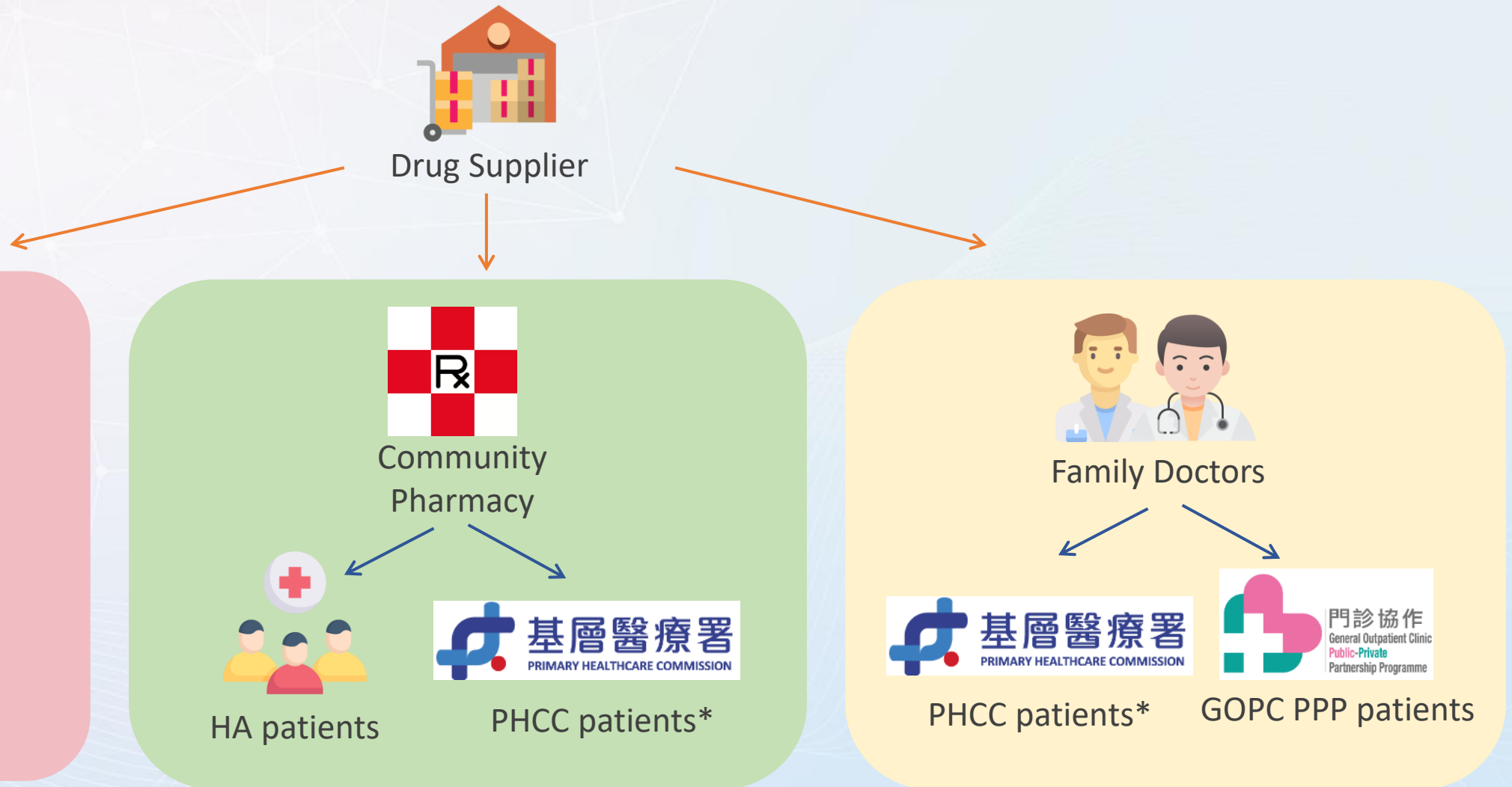
* PHCC patient - patients receiving care under specified Government primary healthcare programme(s) (e.g. CDCC)

HA = Hospital Authority
 CPP = Community Pharmacy Programme
 RCH = Residential Care Home

PHCC = Primary Healthcare Commission
 CDF = Community Drug Formulary
 GOPC PPP = General Outpatient Clinic Public Private Partnership Programme

CPh = Community Pharmacy
 FD = Family Doctor
 EDI = Electronic Data Interface

Scope of Delivery



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GOPC PPP = General Outpatient Clinic Public Private Partnership Programme



3. Highlights of Upcoming Changes in Tender Document



Tender Estimated Requirement

[Attachment to Appendix 1; Tenderer's Schedule A5]

Item No.	Name of Good	Specification *	Minimum Quantity of a Good** (Note (1) & (2))	Estimated Requirement of a Good** (Note (1) & (2))	Breakdown of Estimated Requirement of a Good (Note (1) & (2))				Strip Pack	Range Pack	Special Requirements	Remarks	PPP Good (Yes/No)***
					HA	CPP	CDF	GOPC PPP					
1.	e.g. AAAA01	AAAA tablet 10mg	819	1170	1000	100	50	20					Yes (GOPC PPP)
2.	e.g. BBBB01	BBBB eye drops 0.1%	770	1100	1000	100	0	0					Yes (Glaucoma PPP)
3.	e.g. CCCC01	CCCC tablet 20mg	770	1100	1000	100	0	0					No

Breakdown of Estimated Requirement

- “CPP” refers to the estimated requirement for **HA patients collecting drugs in Community Pharmacy**
- “CDF” refers to the estimated requirement for **patients receiving care under specified Government primary healthcare programme(s) (e.g. CDCC)** who have the choice to obtain their medications of the Community Drug Formulary either from Family Doctors or Community Pharmacies
- “GOPC PPP” refers to the estimated requirement for **patients receiving care under the GOPC PPP Programme**

CPP = Community Pharmacy Programme

CDF = Community Drug Formulary

GOPC PPP = General Outpatient Clinic Public Private Partnership Programme

CDCC = Chronic Disease Co-Care Scheme

Glaucoma PPP = Glaucoma Public Private Partnership Programme

Note

Suppliers will be informed about the estimated quantity and ordering commencement date if the item is newly added to any of the drug lists after issuance of tender document and during the term of Contract

Minimum Quantity under Contract



[Part II clause 2.1(e); Tenderer's Schedule A5]

New Clause

The Goods to be delivered to Community Pharmacies under Community Pharmacy Programme , Family Doctors under specified Government primary healthcare programme(s), and GOPC PPP Doctors under GOPC PPP Programme shall count towards the minimum quantity and overall estimated requirement of Goods under this Contract.

Goods Delivery



[Part IV clause 5.2 (a) & (b); Annexure 3]



- The Contractor shall, on receipt of a purchase order issued by the Authority Representative or any person duly authorised by him, supply and deliver at its own expense to the destination named in such order (**which could be HA Hospitals, Community Pharmacies, Family Doctors or GPC PPP Doctors**), the quantities of Goods therein specified within the time or times specified in such order, or if no time is specified, then **within 7 days** of such order and for this purpose, time shall be of the essence of the Contract.
- Each delivery to the Authority, **Community Pharmacies, Family Doctors or PPP Doctors** shall be accompanied by a delivery note with details as specified in Annexure 3. **No price information should be displayed on the delivery note to Community Pharmacies, Family Doctors and PPP Doctors.** The Contractor shall ensure that it obtains a receipt, but such receipts shall not constitute an acknowledgement that the Goods therein mentioned are acceptable or satisfactory.

Note


For CPP & CDF, any outstanding quantity arising from partial delivery of a particular item will be automatically cancelled; Incomplete delivery will also be considered in performance monitoring

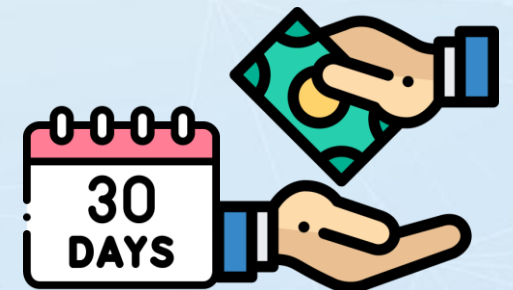
Payment



[Part IV clause 9.1]

- Upon acknowledgment of receipt of the Goods by the **Authority (or, where applicable, the Community Pharmacy, the Family Doctor or GOPC PPP Doctor)** and where there is no dispute regarding the Goods delivered, payment by the Authority shall be made within 30 days of the date of receipt of the Contractor's Invoice. For the avoidance of doubt, payment for the Goods does not prejudice or compromise the Authority's rights to reject any Goods or to dispute any aspect of the delivery for which payment has been made.

 Remain unchanged with HA current practice



Appendix 5.1 & 5.2 to Part III



Terms and Conditions for Supply of Goods to Community Pharmacies and Family Doctors are newly added

Current Tender Template

Appendix 5 to Part III

Terms and Conditions for the Supply of GOPC PPP Goods / Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Glaucoma PPP Goods

New Tender Template

Appendix 5.1 to Part III

Terms and Conditions for the Supply of GOPC PPP Goods

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Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Glaucoma PPP Goods

Appendix 5.2 to Part III

Terms and Conditions for Supply of Goods to Community Pharmacies and Family Doctors

Annexure to Terms and Conditions for Supply of Goods to Community Pharmacies and Family Doctors

[Appendix 5.2 to Part III]

New Appendix

There shall be free delivery for 1 order out of all orders placed to the Contractor for delivery to the Community Pharmacy or the Family Doctor in any 1 month (regardless of the delivery date). For the avoidance of doubt, a doctor who participates in both the specified Government primary healthcare programme(s) and the GOPC PPP Programmes is only entitled to free delivery of one purchase order with the same Contractor per calendar month in total; a Community Pharmacy that participates in both the CPP (Community) and CPP (RCH) is only entitled to free delivery of one purchase order with the same Contractor per calendar month in total. For each additional order placed within the same month, the Contractor can charge a Community Pharmacy or a Family Doctor HKD100 delivery charge. Any delivery fee incurred for the additional delivery(ies) shall be settled directly between the Community Pharmacy or Family Doctor and the Contractor. The Authority shall have no liability in respect of any delivery fees or any dispute arising between Community Pharmacy or Family Doctor and the Contractor.

GOPC PPP = General Outpatient Clinic Public Private Partnership Programme

CPP = Community Pharmacy Programme

RCH = Residential Care Home

Commitment Fee

[Appendix 5.2 to Part III]



New Appendix

- (2) Where the Authority has ordered any Goods for delivery to a Community Pharmacy in a month (regardless of the delivery date), the Contractor will get a monthly amount for that month as calculated below in respect of that Community Pharmacy:
 - (a) The monthly amount shall be HKD100 if on the last day of the month there are 10 or more items of Goods available for supply by the Contractor under the relevant model of Community Pharmacy Programme; and
 - (b) The monthly amount shall be HKD50 if on the last day of month there are less than 10 items of Goods available for supply by the Contractor under the relevant model of Community Pharmacy Programme.

- (3) Where the Authority has ordered any Goods for delivery to a Family Doctor in a month (regardless of the delivery date), the Contractor will get a monthly amount for that month as calculated below in respect of that Family Doctor:
 - (a) The monthly amount shall be HKD100 if on the last day of the month there are 10 or more items of Goods available for supply by the Contractor and listed in the Community Drug Formulary; and
 - (b) The monthly amount shall be HKD50 if on the last day of the month there are less than 10 items of Goods available for supply by the Contractor and listed in the Community Drug Formulary.



- HA pays to the Contractor a Commitment Fee every 6 months
- An order shall not be taken into account for commitment fee if by the time of payment delivery for such order is not completed by the Contractor

Communications (with HA & service providers)



[Appendix 5.1 & Appendix 5.2 to Part III]



HA Routine Contact

- HA contact person stated in individual tender document (for Tender/Contract Enquiries)
- Email: PPSemail@ha.org.hk (General Enquiries)



All parties to maintain communications at all time

Tenderer to Note (Key Changes in Tenderer's Schedule)



Tenderer's Schedule

Update

A5	The Authority's Supply Requirements	Add a breakdown of estimated requirement of a Good (HA, CPP, CDF, GOPC PPP)
A6	Tenderer's Proposed Supply Plan	Proposed Supply Plan shall include Goods for HA, CPP, CDF and GOPC PPP

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Date of Implementation



- Targeted implement date of the new tender document in **2Q 2026 (exact date to be announced)**



REMINDER

1. There may be **further refinements to the wording quoted** in the final tender documents
2. All **terms and conditions**, where applicable, shall also **apply to Goods delivered to Community Pharmacies and Family Doctors**



Safety Alert and Product Recall

- The Contractor shall **maintain the safety alert system, the product recall system** covering the Goods to be supplied to the Authority under the Contract throughout the Term
- It is Contractors' responsibility to **notify HA without delay** on safety issue concerning the Goods and product recall, **by telephone, fax and email**
- **Keep HA fully informed of all developments** following the issue of a Safety Alert Notice or a Product Recall Notice
- The **type of supply and contractual arrangement** (e.g. Goods deliveries further extend to Community Pharmacies or, Family Doctors or GOPC PPP Doctors) should not alter the responsibility in **notifying HA** on safety alert and product recall



4. Transitional Arrangement



Transitional Arrangement for Contract & Standing Quotation Items

- Transitional arrangements for existing contracts and standing quotations to support programme launch
- Emails were sent to suppliers in February, 2026
 - ~68% of the items have been agreed for support
 - Market engagement continues
- Will arrange side agreement and contract variation (where necessary) with existing suppliers

Direct Purchase Items



- Market survey was conducted in December, 2025
 - ~70% of the items have been agreed for support
- Ongoing communication with direct purchase suppliers to facilitate subsequent quotation invitation and preparation



5. Timeline

Timeline



2Q 2026

- New tender and Standing Quotation issuance
- Conduct transitional arrangement

3Q-4Q 2026

- Migration of CDCC drug items into CDF

4Q 2026

- Project delivery (HA Co-care)

1Q 2027

- Project delivery (RCH)



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Tender Validity Period

From Tender Close to Contract Award

Tender document: “Offers to Remain Open”

- Open tenders: not less than **360** days
 - Limited tenders: not less than **180** days, from 1 Oct 2025
 - (a) a further period of 90 days,
 - (b) further period(s) to enable HA to complete its consideration of the Tender
- Each tenderer agrees not to withdraw its offer

Longer or shorter, depends on:

- Timeliness of reply and/or provision of materials from suppliers
- No. of offers and the compliance



6. Q & A



Thank you