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<u>By post</u>

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Dear Doctor/Dentist,

Application for Day Procedure Centre Licence under the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance

The Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance ("the Ordinance"), passed in November 2018, provides for a new regulatory regime for private healthcare facilities. Under the Ordinance, all premises where registered medical practitioners and/or dentists practise, including (1) hospitals, (2) day procedure centres, and (3) clinics, are required to obtain either a licence or a letter of exemption from the Department of Health.

Day procedure centres ("DPCs") are ambulatory facilities that are used, or intended to be used for carrying out scheduled medical procedures (as stipulated in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Ordinance) on patients without lodging. All DPCs are required to be licensed and there are no exemption arrangements for DPCs.

The application for DPC licence has begun on 2 January 2020. DPCs which were in operation on 30 November 2018 can apply for a provisional licence in the period of <u>2 January and 30 April 2020 (both dates inclusive)</u>. The first batch of DPC licence will take effect on 1 January 2021. The launch of application for clinic licences and letters of exemption for small practice clinics will be announced in due course.

You can apply DPC licence through the online platform. Details of licence application procedures can be accessed through the QR code below or at our website <u>www.orphf.gov.hk</u>. For enquiry, please contact us at 3107 8451.



Yours faithfully,

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(Dr Jeff LEE) for Director of Health

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