

Application period for Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme to end on February 8

The application period for the fresh round of the Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme launched under the Government's Anti-epidemic Fund will end on February 8 (Monday). Eligible fitness centres wishing to apply for the subsidy should submit their applications as soon as possible. Application forms and guidelines can be downloaded from the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) website (www.hab.gov.hk/en/policy_responsibilities/fitness/aefv4.htm).

According to the application guidelines of the Scheme, an eligible fitness centre must possess a fixed address and an individually operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment in the premises for use, and/or to give advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts.

The HAB has commissioned the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China to assist in the implementation of the Scheme. The Scheme has been open for applications since January 8. As of January 28, over 1 300 applications were received, of which 200 applications have been approved. A total of \$20 million in subsidies has been disbursed.

For enquiries concerning details and the application procedure of the Scheme, applicants can contact the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China by phone at 2389 3538 or by email at subsidy4.0@hkpfa.org.hk.