

DH invites proposals for Healthy Teeth Collaboration

The Department of Health (DH) today (April 25) invited interested organisations to submit proposals for service provision under the Healthy Teeth Collaboration (HTC).

The HTC aims to:

1. Provide free dental care services to eligible service users through behavioural management, conscious sedation, deep sedation or general anaesthesia; and
2. Promote oral health through oral hygiene education to eligible service users and their parents/family members/legal guardians/caregivers.

The current service year for the HTC will run until July 15, 2024. Interested organisations are invited to submit proposals for the new service period from July 16, 2024 to March 31, 2027. Starting from the new service year, the HTC will extend to cover persons with autism spectrum disorder, applicants must meet all of the following requirements:

1. A non-profit-making entity and exempt from tax under section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112);
2. Operating at least one dental clinic with at least one full-time Registered Dentist and one full-time Dental Surgery Assistant for the public at the application closing date;
3. At least one of the Registered Dentists assigned to the HTC must
(i) have worked as a qualified dentist for at least five years in aggregate immediately preceding the application closing date and have experience in providing dental service to persons with intellectual disability or persons with autism spectrum disorder; or
(ii) have received recognised training on provision of dental care services for persons with intellectual disability or persons with autism spectrum disorder; and
4. Registered in accordance with requirements under section 12 of the Dentists Registration Ordinance (Cap. 156) at the application closing date.

The Government will assess the proposals from interested organisations in accordance with the requirements specified in the invitation document, their experience and track record in operating dental clinic(s) and providing dental services to the public and persons with intellectual disability.

Interested organisations can collect a set of invitation documents from the DH's Adult Special Dental Care Division at Room 404, 14 Taikoo Wan Road, Hong Kong, or request a copy by email (am_htc@dh.gov.hk).

Applications should reach the DH at the Adult Special Dental Care Division at Room 404, 14 Taikoo Wan Road, Hong Kong, at or before 9.30am on May 24, 2024. Late applications will not be accepted. For enquiries, please call the Adult Special Dental Care Division (2692 3700).