

SFH to attend 2nd Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Chinese Medicine Inheritance, Innovation and Development Conference

The Secretary for Food and Health, Professor Sophia Chan, will lead a delegation to Zhuhai this afternoon (December 4) to attend the 2nd Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Chinese Medicine Inheritance, Innovation and Development Conference to be held tomorrow (December 5).

The conference, organised by the Traditional Chinese Medicine Bureau of Guangdong Province, provides a platform for leaders and the industry in the field of Chinese medicine and the trade in Hong Kong, Macao and other cities in the Greater Bay Area to exchange views and share experience on policies, industry development and scientific research in relation to Chinese medicine.

Professor Chan will deliver a speech and sign the Memorandum of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Chinese Medicine Cooperation with officials from the Mainland and Macao at the opening ceremony of the conference tomorrow. She will also participate in a roundtable meeting to speak with other leaders and guests on building a Chinese medicine community with innovation and a shared future in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

Professor Chan said, "With its robust healthcare system and enjoying the advantage of being Asia's world city and a gateway to the Mainland, Hong Kong will continue to capitalise on its unique advantages of East meets West and research in Chinese materia medica standards to develop the 'Hong Kong model' for promoting Chinese medicine overseas. We shall further promote the inheritance and innovation of Chinese medicine, thereby contributing to the development in the Greater Bay Area and the Belt and Road Initiative of our country."

The delegation, comprising representatives from the Food and Health Bureau, the Department of Health and the Hospital Authority, will return to Hong Kong tomorrow afternoon.

During Professor Chan's absence from Hong Kong, the Under Secretary for Food and Health, Dr Chui Tak-yi, will be the Acting Secretary for Food and Health.