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Primary Healthcare Commission sets up medical stations at temporary shelters to support residents affected by fire incident in Tai Po

The Primary Healthcare Commission (PHC Commission) announced today (November 27) that medical stations have been set up at all temporary shelters opened in response to the fire incident at Wang Fuk Court in Tai Po to provide immediate medical and pharmaceutical support to residents in need.

The PHC Commission has set up medical stations at all temporary shelters by 9am today. Residents with medical needs may seek assistance from healthcare personnel at the medical stations. The medical stations provide appropriate medical assistance for residents in need from 8am to 8pm daily, including basic medical assessment and referral service, treatment of mild injuries, prescribing drugs (including necessary medication refills based on medical history), and psychological support, with a view to assisting in managing non-emergency medical needs.

The 24-hour "18111 - Mental Health Support Hotline" also stepped up its manpower immediately yesterday (November 26) to assist members of the public who may need emotional support due to the incident.

To promptly respond to the needs of the residents at temporary shelters, the Department of Health and the Hospital Authority have deployed multiple medical support teams to temporary shelters in the early hours today to provide on-site preliminary medical assessment and support for residents. To continuously provide medical care for affected residents, the PHC Commission co-ordinated professionals from the public and private medical sectors, including over 250 doctors and over 250 other healthcare professionals from the private sector, to participate in setting up the medical stations.

The PHC Commission expressed gratitude to District Health Centres, the LKS Faculty of Medicine of the University of Hong Kong, the Faculty of Medicine and the Medical Centre of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians, the Hong Kong Medical Association, the Jockey Club PHARM+ Community Medication Service Network, private hospitals and the private medical sector for their efforts in providing support to affected residents.

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