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Dear Colleagues,

Emergence of antibiotic resistance has become a pressing public health concern worldwide. Improper use of antibiotics is one of the major primary causes of the increase in drug resistant bacteria. It is time to alert our community to the above issue. A series of ongoing promotion programs including production of television and radio announcements of public interest, pamphlets and posters on proper use of antibiotics have been launched.

The enclosed public education pamphlet is jointly developed by the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health, with the assistance from the Hong Kong Medical Association, the Practising Pharmacists Association of Hong Kong and the Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Hong Kong, to provide key messages for patients when taking antibiotics. I hope that these messages can reach every patient who is prescribed with antibiotics.

Let us work together to embark on a community-wide promotion of proper use of antibiotics before further damages by drug resistant bacteria are done.

For details and related materials of the campaign on "Proper Use of Antibiotics", please refer to [www.chp.gov.hk](http://www.chp.gov.hk)

You are welcome to further obtain free copies of the pamphlets and posters by completing and faxing the overleaf reply slip.

Thank you for your ongoing support to make this campaign a success.

Yours sincerely,



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