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Dear Dentist,

**Reminder – Deadline for Application for Provisional Clinic Licence
under the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Cap. 633)**

Further to our letter dated 13 January 2026, this serves as a reminder for the deadline for application of **Provisional Licence** under the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Cap. 633) (“the **Ordinance**”) is on **13 April 2026**.

As a transitional arrangement, the Department of Health (“DH”) may issue a Provisional Licence to clinics in operation on or before 30 November 2018 after considering the circumstances in their applications.

Operators of clinics that commenced operation at their current address after 30 November 2018 or submit application after 13 April 2026 are required to apply for:

- i. a **Full Licence**; or
- ii. a **Letter of Exemption** if their clinics meet the definition of Small Practice clinic (“SPC”).

A SPC is defined under Section 41 of the Ordinance as a clinic operated solely by registered medical practitioners and/or registered dentists, subject to specified conditions as stipulated in the Ordinance.

Other than applying for a Provisional / Full Licence, operators of SPCs may request a Letter of Exemption from the DH. This exemption permits the SPC to operate without a licence under the Ordinance, provided all statutory requirements are met.

Application through “iAM Smart+”

The licence application or exemption request is fully **electronic** through a registered “**iAM Smart+**” account. You may refer to the “**iAM Smart+**” website (<https://www.iamsmart.gov.hk>) or scan the QR code below for registration / upgrading of an account.

After registration of an “iAM Smart+” account, licence application / exemption request as well as management of relevant matters can be continued at the “ORPHF e-Licensing Platform” (<https://apps.orphf.gov.hk/Submission/>) through that “iAM Smart+” account.

Registration for “iAM Smart+” ORPHF e-Licensing Platform



Checking Type of Licence by the Public

The first batch of clinic licences and letters of exemption issued has been uploaded to the Private Healthcare Facilities Register (<https://www.directory.orphf.gov.hk/Directory>). A QR Code indicating the type of licence / exemption is provided for displaying at a conspicuous place in the clinic where the public can scan and check the registration type of your clinic with the eHealth App.

Online briefing sessions “Connecting in the air”

Our monthly online interactive sessions will continue be a channel for connection and sharing. Please simply scan the QR Code below for enrolment. The briefing and presentation materials of the online sessions are also available in the ORPHF website (https://www.orphf.gov.hk/en/publication_statistics/promotional_materials_video).

Should you have any enquiries or need assistance, please feel free to contact our office at 2631 1782.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr Andrew BUT)
for Director of Health

Simple Guide
to Ordinance



Code of Practice
for Clinics



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