

Message from Chairman of the Midwives Council of Hong Kong

Dear Midwives,

2021 Legislative Council General Election **Medical and Health Services Functional Constituency**

The 2021 Legislative Council (“LegCo”) General Election will be held on 19 December 2021 (Sunday). This is the first LegCo election after improving the electoral system of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (“HKSAR”). The election will return 90 seats for the new term of the LegCo, including 40 seats for the Election Committee constituency, 30 seats for functional constituencies (“FCs”) and 20 seats for geographical constituencies. The 28 traditional FCs are maintained in the new composition of the LegCo with a view to ensuring that the LegCo is broadly representative and aligns the overall interests of Hong Kong society.

Upon the close of nomination period on 12 November 2021, the relevant Returning Officers received a total of 68 nominations involving 28 FCs. After vetting the eligibility of the candidates for members of the LegCo, the Candidate Eligibility Review Committee considered that 67 of the FC candidates can meet the legal requirements and conditions on upholding the Basic Law and bearing allegiance to the HKSAR of the People’s Republic of China, and determined their nominations as valid. Relevant notice of validly nominations has already been published in the Gazette in accordance with the statutory requirement on 19 November 2021.

The upcoming election is the first election since 1997 that all FCs are being contested. The age, occupation and background of candidates are more diverse than in any previous election. Please take part in this important election that is of great significance to Hong Kong by voting at the polling station allocated to you from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on 19 December 2021, so as to build a better future for Hong Kong.



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