

## Background

Older people receiving long-term care services are generally frail and may be unable to take care of themselves and unable to access conventional dental care services. These factors may cause deterioration in oral health. Oral care is therefore an integral part of overall personal and nursing care services for long-term care service users.

The Government has launched the Outreach Dental Care Programme for the Elderly. Professional oral health care for the elder and training to caregivers are provided to promote prevention and enhance oral hygiene for the elderly receiving long-term care services.

## Target Beneficiaries

Person who holds a valid Hong Kong Identity Card, and residing in Residential Care Homes, Nursing Homes or Care and Attention Homes for the Aged Blind licensed by the Social Welfare Department, or aged 60 or above and using services of Day Care Centres/Units for Elderly listed by the Social Welfare Department.

## Service Charge

Free of Charge



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## Scope of Services

Non-government organization appointed by the government will provide:

- ▲ On-site oral checkup for the elderly
- ▲ On-site oral care training and oral health education activities such as seminars/talks, etc to concerned elderly, their family members and caregivers
- ▲ If the elderly is considered suitable and in need of further curative dental treatment by dentist of the outreach team, treatment will be provided either on site or arrangement made to transfer back to dental clinic for further care.

For enquiries, please contact the Residential Care Home or Day Care Centre/Unit.

