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Table 1

Allied health grade	New case	Old case

LCQ16**Table 2**

The number of newly recruited allied health professionals under the Hospital Authority (HA) in each year

	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013
Medical Laboratory Technologists/ Medical Laboratory Technicians	48	74	76
Radiographers/Radiotherapists	49	55	66
Physiotherapists	62	83	76
Occupational Therapists	61	63	77
Optometrists	10	21	3
Dental Technicians	0	0	0
Audiologists	0	1	2
Podiatrists	6	7	6
Dietitians	8	12	20
Orthoptists	2	1	2
Clinical Psychologists	10	20	33
Prosthetists	5	15	13
Speech Therapists	3	11	13
Dispensers	40	57	84

The number of HA's allied health professionals who left the service each year

	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013
Medical Laboratory Technologists/ Medical Laboratory Technicians	22	22	25
Radiographers/Radiotherapists	39	43	39
Physiotherapists	42	44	41
Occupational Therapists	20	24	15
Optometrists	0	3	2
Dental Technicians	0	0	0
Audiologists	0	0	0
Podiatrists	2	2	1
Dietitians	5	0	8
Orthoptists	0	2	0
Clinical Psychologists	3	11	7
Prosthetists	6	6	8
Speech Therapists	5	1	5
Dispensers	18	30	29

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The numbers of allied health professionals, outpatient attendances and community allied health attendances of HA

	2010-2011			2011-2012			2012-2013		
	Number of allied health professionals	Outpatient attendances	Community service attendances	Number of allied health professionals	Outpatient attendances	Community service attendances	Number of allied health professionals	Outpatient attendances [#]	Community service attendances [#]
Physiotherapists	775	1 149 152	11 087	814	1 173 929	12 530	846	1 214 721	12 186
Occupational Therapists	573	414 804	15 465	613	418 455	16 843	673	445 570	16 780
Optometrists	42	52 080	-	60	62 281	-	61	72 881	-
Audiologists	18	72 534	-	21	71 382	-	23	75 051	-
Podiatrists	27	40 282	-	31	47 125	-	35	55 779	-
Dietitians	92	69 194	306	106	67 511	323	118	71 903	334
Orthoptists	14	46 660	-	13	40 613	-	14	39 558	-
Clinical Psychologists	100	51 627	-	110	55 482	-	134	58 915	-
Prosthetists	105	77 320	28	116	80 160	24	123	87 840	33
Speech Therapists	59	36 496	2 083	69	39 179	1 823	77	43 360	2 003

[#]Provisional figures

Note: In addition to outpatient and community services, the above allied health professionals also provide services for inpatients. The above figures do not include the attendances of allied health services provided to inpatients of HA.

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The number of allied health professionals and their proportion to inpatients in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13

	2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013	
	Number of allied health professionals	Proportion to 1 000 discharged and deceased inpatients	Number of allied health professionals	Proportion to 1 000 discharged and deceased inpatients	Number of allied health professionals	Proportion to 1 000 discharged and deceased inpatients
Physiotherapists	775	0.79	814	0.81	846	0.82
Occupational Therapists	573	0.58	613	0.61	673	0.66
Optometrists	42	0.04	60	0.06	61	0.06
Audiologists	18	0.02	21	0.02	23	0.02
Podiatrists	27	0.03	31	0.03	35	0.03
Dietitians	92	0.09	106	0.11	118	0.11
Orthoptists	14	0.01	13	0.01	14	0.01
Clinical Psychologists	100	0.10	110	0.11	134	0.13
Prosthetists	105	0.11	116	0.12	123	0.12
Speech Therapists	59	0.06	69	0.07	77	0.07

Notes:

1. The above manpower figures are calculated on full-time equivalent basis including permanent, contract and temporary staff in HA.
2. Given that the conditions of patients vary and the complexity of cases may be different to each allied health grade, the workload of allied health professionals cannot be assessed and compared by simply referring to the proportion of allied health professionals to the number of discharged and deceased inpatients.

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The number of radiological examinations carried out and the quantity of drugs dispensed by HA each year

	2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013	
	No. of allied health professionals	No. of radiological examinations [^]	No. of allied health professionals	No. of radiological examinations [^]	No. of allied health professionals	No. of radiological examinations ^{#^}
Radiographers	735	4 036 193	746	4 109 264	769	4 303 427

Temporary figure

[^] Include general and special radiological examinations carried out for inpatients and outpatients

	2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013	
	No. of allied health professionals	Quantity of drugs dispensed [^]	No. of allied health professionals	Quantity of drugs dispensed [^]	No. of allied health professionals	Quantity of drugs dispensed [^]
Dispensers	971	39 540 000	997	40 430 000	1 055	42 270 000

[^] Include inpatient and outpatient services

LCQ16 Table 7

The vacancies in HA's allied health grades as at March 31, 2013

	Number of vacancies
Radiographers/Radiotherapists	55
Physiotherapists	20
Occupational Therapists	20
Dispensers	70
Pharmacists	50
Total	215

	2013 [#]	2016 [^]
Medical Laboratory Technologists/ Medical Laboratory Technicians	1 270	1 281
Radiographer/Radiotherapists	947	1 132
Physiotherapists	846	868
Occupational Therapists	673	723
Optometrists [*]	61	50
Audiologists [*]	23	20
Podiatrists [*]	35	35
Dietitians [*]	118	107
Orthoptists [*]	14	13
Clinical Psychologists [*]	134	95
Prosthetist-Orthotists [*]	123	111
Speech Therapists [*]	77	67
Dispensers	1 055	1 156
Others	926	805

Actual number of allied health professionals in 2013.

^ Estimated demand for allied health professionals in 2016.

* Since HA recruited a significant number of allied health professionals for these grades in the past few years, the actual number of staff in these grades in 2013 is greater than or equivalent to the estimated demand in 2016.