

(1) Background

To collect information about the health status of the Hong Kong population, their health-related lifestyle practices and other important health parameters, the Department of Health is conducting a territory-wide population health survey. The information is useful to the Government for health policy formulation.

(2) Objectives

The aims of this survey are to strengthen the Government's information base to assess health status of the population and support effective, evidence-based decision-making in health policies, resource allocation and the provision of health services and programmes in Hong Kong.

(3) Target population

Hong Kong land-based non-institutional population aged 15 and above.





(4) Contents of PHS

The PHS comprises two parts:

A. Household interview and self-administered questionnaire; and B. Health examination.

(5) Household interview and self-administered questionnaire

The interviewers will visit the selected households to conduct personal interviews with all persons aged 15 and above. After the interview, the respondents will be invited to fill in a self-administered questionnaire. All interviewers will carry an identity card issued by the Department of Health for identification purpose.

For verification of the interviewer's identity, please call 3900 1176.

The interviewers will ask about your physical and psychosocial health status, health-related lifestyle practices, preventive practices, health services use and some household information.

(6) Health examination

Selected respondents will be further invited to undergo health examination, including physical measurements and laboratory investigations.



The information collected by the interviewers will only be used for research and statistical purposes. All personal data and contact information collected will be kept strictly confidential. No personal identifiable information will be disclosed to any unauthorised party without your consent.

(8) Hotline

Hotline for Population Health Survey, Department of Health: **3529 1930** (during office hours)

(9) Further information

You may visit the website of the PHS at: **http://www.chp.gov.hk/enphs.html** for further information.



If your family is invited to take part in the Population Health Survey, please give us your generous support and participate in personal interview. Your active participation is helpful for improving public health services in Hong Kong.

