Recognition of Participation in the COVID-19 Universal Community Testing Programme as Continuing Professional Development Activity

Registrants are invited to note that the Optometrists Board has recognised participation in the COVID-19 Universal Community Testing Programme ("UCTP") as Continuing Professional Development ("CPD") Activity.

To identify as early as possible asymptomatic COVID-19 patients in the community and achieve the target of early identification, early isolation and early treatment to cut the community transmission chain, the Government has launched the COVID-19 UCTP on 1 September 2020 for all Hong Kong residents. Specimens are to be collected by trained medical or healthcare staff. Optometrists are one of the recruits assisting in specimen collection at community testing centres.

To recognize the registrants' effort in the fight against COVID-19, registered optometrists serving in the COVID-19 UCTP are awarded 1 CPD point for the relevant training received beforehand. Registered optometrists are reminded to keep relevant supporting documents as evidence of participation (such as the appointment letter and log sheet).

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