

Appendix Chronology of Department of Health, Taipei City Government

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January	
16	The “Expert Meeting on Responses to Flu Outbreak” was held at the peak of the epidemic and discussion was made with the experts on the prevention and control of the flu.
28	The Department issued a press release that “the clinic service during Lunar New Year in Taipei City would operate normally and that ILI clinic service would be offered”. The Department announced that the listed 9 hospitals would offer ILI clinics with 127 consultations during the Lunar New Year period with 742 additional consultations at 331 contracted clinics that offered publicly funded antiviral drugs for influenza to diverge the citizens who might overcrowd the ERs during the holiday season.
February	
1	The Department announced that “except for the smoking area, the outdoor areas of and near the Taipei City Hall as Smoke-Free from February 1, 2019”.
15	In the 2018 local health agency performance evaluation by the Ministry of Health and Welfare, Taipei City Government Department was awarded the “Outstanding Award”.
March	
1	The Department initiated the chemsex prevention and intervention project to provide assistance channels for the chemsex clients and their family and to establish a chemsex prevention system.
1	The Department announced that “outdoor areas and sidewalks near the Taipei City Zhongshan Land Office as Smoke-Free from March 1, 2019”.
4	The Department of Health of Taipei City Government appointed 16 contracted medical institutions to perform the “Preschool Children Integrated Community Screening Service in Taipei City”, providing body, oral health, vision (age 4-5) and hearing (age 3) examinations. As of August 31, 64,610 people were served.
18	The Department released the news report to pre-announce the “3 New Food Safety Strategy in Taipei City. And that Taipei City Government would be the first competent authority that controlled the online food delivery platform (Uber Eats, foodpanda, etc.) and tried to build a food safety reporting culture. The ice products and drinks would have to accept mandatory inspections”. The news report let the public learn about the new food safety strategy in advance to build a safe catering happiness city where people could have safe food.
18	Vice Superintendent, Chia-Chen Hsu, of the Taipei City Hospital took office.
25	In the 2018 local health agency performance evaluation by the Ministry of Health and Welfare, Taipei City Government Department was awarded the “First Prize in General Group 1”.
25	The Department was awarded the “Outstanding Award in the 2018 Local Health Agency Performance Evaluation” (First Place in Group 1). Our smoke quitting, smoke investigation performance, building of a healthy living environment, and racking rate of positive reactions in the 4 cancers were all awarded the Outstanding Award (First Place in Group 1).

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April	
1	The Department announced that “The Taiyuan Plaza and the sidewalks around University of Taipei, Tien-Mu Campus as Smoke-Free from April 1, 2019”.
6	On the Taipei City International Community Care Day, Taipei City Mayor, Wen-Je Ko, served as the community doctor for the day to take care of the citizens' health.
25	The Department published Article 12 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety to regularly check the expired food and perform sectional management to include the “businesses in the food court in department stores and transfer stations” for regulation.
April	
26	The Department Article 9 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety stating that the “business registered in Taipei City and using webpage or cell phone platform (App) to food ordering services (including delivery services) shall put their registration number and the registration number of the food suppliers in obvious Chinese characters on the webpage and the cell phone platform (App)”.
26	In the 2018 local health agency performance evaluation by the Ministry of Health and Welfare, Taipei City Government Department of Health came in 1 st place in Group 1.
29	The Department became the first to announce the “Principle for Food Safety Reporting of Taipei”. We communicated with the food manufacturing business to maintain consensus and work together to establish the first food safety reporting principle in the country. The Department precisely defined the definition of unsafe food information, including “scientific empiricism” and “customer complaint for exceeding the monitoring value”, hoping to prevent unsafe food from going into the market. Taipei City Mayor, Wen-Je Ko, gave out the certification of appreciation to thank the business and representative of the Association for participating in the establishment of the SOP and guarding the food safety in Taipei City together.
29	The Department published Article 7 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety, stating that the breakfast and western fast food chains (regular chains, franchise stores and restaurants with 5 or more establishments in Taipei City that cooked Chinese/western breakfast on-site for customers to dine in or take out) were subject to Article 7 of Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety.
May	
1	The Department announced that “outdoor areas and sidewalks near Ming Dao Elementary School in Wenshan District in Taipei City as Smoke-Free from May 1, 2019”.
1	The free Streptococcus pneumoniae vaccination (23 valent) service was extended to the indigenous people who are aging 55-64 and have registered households in Taipei City.
7	The Taipei City Hospital cooperated with the National Taiwan Museum to sign the “Friendly Museum for Dementia People” Memorandum of understanding to release the “Prescription for the Friendly Museum for Dementia People”.
June	
28	The Superintendent of the Taipei City Hospital Zhongxiao Branch, Hsiu-Sheng Chen, took office.

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July	
4	The Commissioner Shier-Chieh Huang of the Department of Health, Taipei City Government, Superintendent Sheng-Jian Huang of the Taipei City Hospital and Secretary Hung Huang and Director Ching-Lei Wu of the Shanghai Municipal Health Commission led the team members from the 2 cities to hold the “2019 Taipei Shanghai City Forum-Medical Technology Development Forum” in Shanghai. The team that represented Taipei consisted of 30 people (25 people from the Department of Health, Taipei City Government and 5 guests invited by the Taipei City Government). The team representing Shanghai consisted of 44 people. In total, 74 people participated in the Forum.
8	The Department published Article 11 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety to regulate the “businesses in the food court in department stores and transfer stations to apply for the Food Hygiene Rating System”.
17	The upgraded “Label of Anti-drug Premises in Taipei 2.0” was first released at the member convention of the Taipei Hotel Association.
29	The Department of Health of Taipei City Government organized the “Thousand People CPR: ‘First-aid’ for the ‘Heart’-Simplified CPR and AED Training”. About 1,120 people participated in the event. With the citizens participating in the event, they could learn more first-aid skills and we could build a safer and healthier city.
August	
1	The Taipei City Hospital was invited to the 2019APHC in Indonesia from August 1 st to 4 th . The Taipei City Hospital published 19 papers in total, which was the highest number in Taiwan.
26	The Department held the “Public and Private Sectors Working Together to Guard the Life” press conference and exhibition events to be in line with the World Suicide Prevention Day and Mental Health Month Event. The Department cooperated with 11 other departments of Taipei City Government and 13 private organizations to promote suicide prevention and mental health and guard the citizens’ lives.
27	Taipei City Mayor, Wen-Je Ko, participated in the Community Care Day event.
30	The Department published Article 16 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety to announce that “ice store chains (stores that provide non-alcoholic beverages without foods for consumers to drink immediately and have 3 or more regular chains, franchise stores or stores established in Taipei City)” should be inspected.
September	
1	The Department of Health of Taipei City Government announced that “under the arcade of storefronts of 5 chain convenience stores and 10 chain coffee shops in Taipei City as Smoke-Free from September 1, 2019”.
3	Taipei City Government hosted the 15 th “Conference on Countermeasures to Combat Infectious Diseases in Asia (CCIDA)”. The cities that participated in the Conference included Tokyo, Seoul, Bangkok and Manila and Taipei. In the Conference, the cities discussed about experience of prevention and advances of diseases including influenza, mosquito-borne infectious diseases, tuberculosis, syphilis and HIV/AIDS. In total, 138 people participated. The Conference ended on September 5.
3	The Drug Abuse Prevention Center cooperated with the CTBC Anti-Drug Educational Foundation to hold the “Truth of the Danger of Drug Abuse” multimedia anti-drug educational exhibition. From August 30 to September 28, 5,702 people visited the exhibition.
16	The Department organized the “2019 Taipei City International Dementia Month Event Press Conference” and invited the Mayor to participate in the ceremony. In addition, the Department promoted the service network and result regarding the dementia care of the departments in the Taipei City Government. At the scene, a video, “Friendly Taipei · You Are Not Alone” was played. Moreover, a new “Dementia Care Manual” and “Care Taker’s Note” was released to let the family in need acquire knowledge and care resources with respect to dementia right away. Therefore, we can realize our goal to build a friendly and happy city. 150 people participated in the event and there were 13 articles about the event released on the media after the event.
23	Taipei City Government Department of Health organized the 2019 “Food Tracer Taipei Presentation” and revealed the new inclusion of “Japanese Ramen Chain Area” and “Traditional Market Area”. In total, 14 ramen chains and 115 market vendors joined the platform for a complete registration. 432 products, 1,266 ingredients and 72 ingredient inspection reports were disclosed. At the Presentation, Deputy Mayor, Deng Chia-Chi, gave out the certification of appreciation and photos were taken. Moreover, all kinds of ramen and local foods from the market could be seen at the Presentation.

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October	
1	The Department announced that “except for the smoking area, the outdoor areas of the Shilin District Office as Smoke-Free from October 1, 2019”.
1	New regulation of the Taipei City Government was responsible for the appointment matters regarding the matters of the Tobacco Hazards Prevention Act. The Taipei City Government appointed the Parks and Street Lights Office, Hydraulic Engineering Office, Public Works Department, Taipei City Market Administration Office, Public Transportation Office and Taipei City Mortuary Services Office to perform the smoke investigation.
15	The Department of Health of Taipei City Government was awarded “Outstanding” in 2019 Official Document Handling Performance Evaluation for Level-1 Agencies and District Offices of Taipei City Government.
November	
7	The Department published Article 7 of the “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety,” stating that the Japanese ramen chains (regular chains, franchise stores and restaurants with 2 or more establishments in Taipei City that cooked ramen on-site for customers to dine in or take out) were subject to Article 7 of Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety.
12	The “2018 Food Safety Smile Label Demonstrations Project in Tourist Night Market in Taipei” of the Department was awarded the “Innovation Prize” in the 2019 Creative Proposal Contest held by the Taipei City Government.
23	Taipei City Hospital Kunming Prevention and Control Center organized the “World AIDS Day” event, including the exhibition, film festival and forum. In total, 13,110 people participated. The event ended on December 1.
25	The Department announced that “public markets that were controlled by the Taipei City Market Administration Office were subject to Article 7 of the “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety” by Article 7 of the Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety.
29	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government, held a ceremony to honor the recipients of the Award for Exemplary Volunteers and Teams Providing Voluntary Services of Sanitation and Healthcare in Taipei City at the lobby on the 1 st floor of the Taipei City Hall. During the ceremony, Deputy Mayor Huang Shan-Shan and Department of Health Commissioner Huang Shih-chieh presented 60 awards to health service volunteers, 30 awards to long-term care volunteers and 10 awards to cancer prevention volunteers for their outstanding performance. A total of 280 persons attended the ceremony.
December	
3	The Taipei City Hospital held the 2019 Palliative Care Forum. The Forum ended on December 4.
11	The Department of Health of Taipei City Government, 12 district health centers and the Taipei City Hospital received 11 awards of the “2019 Taiwan Healthy City and Elderly-friendly City (Community) Award” from the Health Promotion Administration. We dedicated ourselves to promoting the idea of a healthy city and elderly-friendly city as well as building a sustainable city suitable for people to live in.

