



Appendix Chronology of the Department of Health, Taipei City Government

Date	Content
January	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that the Taipei MRT Linear Park (between Zhongshan Metro Mall R1 Exit and MRT Zhongyi station) would be as smoke-free from January 1, 2020. In 2020, a free eye examination to detect high myopia in Taipei was initiated.
03	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government held an inter-agency meeting on sanitation management of Taipei Children's Amusement Park.
06	At the 2020 Shin Kong Financial Holdings Management Meeting, the mayor was invited to give a speech on "Building A Vibrant Future for Taipei's Seniors—from Physician to Mayor", which was held at 603 Auditorium of the New Taipei City Government. 675 people attended. The Department of Health, Taipei City Government held a meeting to respond to the flu epidemic during the Lunar New Year and the prevention and treatment of COVID-19.
08	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government held the 2020 influenza expert seminar.
February	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that outdoor public facilities zone of Taipei Wenshan District Hanlinyuan Community, and the outdoor venues and surrounding sidewalks of the Taipei Chengzhong Social Welfare Services Building would be as smoke-free from February 1, 2020.
25	In the second inspection of local authorities in Taipei by Control Yuan in 2019, committee members Yong-Ging Zhao and Feng-Xian Gao visited "Taipei City Government to review Taipei Response Plan" to COVID-19 Pandemic, presided by Deputy Mayor Shan-Shan Huang with 50 attendees.
27	Taipei Command Center for COVID-19 was organized (first level).
March	
16	Taipei informed the Ministry of Health and Welfare (MOHW) of the establishment Taipei City Epidemic Command Center for COVID-19 with Mayor Wen-Je Ko as the commander.
26	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government held the first 2019 Strategy Map and Balanced Scorecard presentation.
April	
08	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government Beishi Weishiyao Zi No. 1093119103 issued a Revision of the "The Uniform Penalties of the Department of Health, Taipei City Government for Violating the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation", which would take effect immediately.



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09	In accordance with Article 12 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government pre-announced that chain bakery with over 3 stores in Taipei shall check ingredients regularly and execute sectional management of storage.
13	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government held the second 2019 Strategy Map and Balanced Scorecard presentation. Part 9 of the “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety” that Vendors that directly serve meals and sell food in the city’s public market shall denote their business information (name of the sanitation manager, the business registration number, and the name of the business conspicuously).
May	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that the sidewalks and motorcycle parking lots around the Taipei Campus of National Taipei University would be as smoke-free from May 1, 2020.
04	In accordance with Article 12 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that chain bakery with over 3 stores in Taipei shall check ingredients regularly and execute sectional management of storage.
22	In accordance with Article 9 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that vendors that directly supply food in public markets supervised by Taipei City Market Administration Office shall denote their business names, sanitation manager and their business registration numbers, effective July 1, 2020.
June	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that all sidewalks around Gong Guan Elementary School in Taipei’s Daan District would be as smoke-free from June 1, 2020.
24	Amendments to some provisions of the “Smart Electricity Subsidies for Taipei Medical Institutions and Pharmacies”, which took effect on June 30, 2020.
July	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced outdoor areas around Exit 1 and 6 of MRT Ximen station, sidewalks around Ren-Ai Elementary School in Daan District (Lane 295, Section 1, Dunhua South Road), Neihu Restoration Park, Shanshuilu Eco Park and Fudekeng Environmental Restoration Park, The green space and surrounding outdoor areas in Lane 45, Wenzhou Street, Daan District would be as smoke-free from July 1, 2020.
15	In accordance with Article 16 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that star hotels with cafeterias should be autonomous examination starting January 1, 2021.
20	In accordance with Article 11 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety,” the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that hospital restaurants/food courts should apply for the certification of the Food Hygiene Rating System.



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22	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government hosted the 2020 Taipei Shanghai Forum—Health and Sanitation, which for the time was conducted by videoconferencing. Commissioner. Shier-Chieh Huang, and Superintendent, Taipei City Hospital Sheng-Jean Huang, and Director of Shanghai Municipal Health Commission Jing-Lei Wu shared their experience through the platform. 20 people from Taipei (18 from the Department of Health and 2 guests invited by the Taipei City Government), and 20 people from Shanghai totaling 40 people participated in this forum.
August	
01	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that the Bo-Ai Campus, University of Taipei, National Chengchi University Affiliated Senior High School, National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, and the surrounding sidewalks of dormitories of National Taiwan University of Science and Technology would be smoke-free from August 1, 2020.
24	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government was awarded the “First Class Award in Food and Drug Category” by Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare in the 2019 Local Health Organization Evaluation.
27	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government won the “2019 Local Health Organization Excellence Award” (Health Care Excellence Award) for cancer screening and betel nut health hazard prevention, maternal/child health promotion, improvement in diabetes care, colorectal cancer 50-year-old first screening rate, four-cancer screening follow-up rate and other performance awards; all ranked first in the first group.
31	In conjunction with the World Suicide Prevention Day, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government organized a large press conference and interactive exhibition “ Keeping Your Life Young”. It combined the 11 departments of the Taipei City Government and 7 non-governmental organizations to jointly advance Suicide Prevention and Control for All (Working Together to Prevent Suicide).
September	
4	The Taipei City Hospital hold the 2020 International Lean Healthcare Summit (Asia) with more than 420 participants (including 263 virtual participants) worldwide to share their experience and expertise. A total of 13 oral presentations and 39 posters were presented during the event.
16	In accordance with Article 11 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety,” the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that MICHELIN Starred & the Plate Michelin restaurants should apply for the certification of the Food Hygiene Rating System.
October	
28	The Taipei City Government integrated the resources of the Department of Health, Taipei City Government, the Department of Social Welfare, the Department of Education Department, the Department of Sports, the Department of Civil Affairs, and the University of Taipei to establish the Taipei Advanced Center for Aging and Health through inter-agency integration, training enhancement, resource referral, sharing teaching materials and innovative strategies to link diversified health service models for Taipei’s elderlies.



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November	
13	The Taipei City Drug Abuse Prevention Center has taken the lead in formulating the “Prevention of Improper Use of Nitrous Oxide, requiring the proprietor to self-monitor”. The improper possession or use of nitrous oxide should be reported to the police immediately, and information sessions on nitrous oxide abuse were conducted. On November 18, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government organized a Press Conference for the Control of Nitrous Oxide in Taipei to elucidate how nitrous oxide should be controlled.
19	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government organized the “2020 Taipei Healthy City Conference”. 137 representatives from 9 counties and cities participated.
27	The Department of Health, Taipei City Government and its affiliated agencies won 8 honors at the “2020 Taiwan Healthy City & Age-Friendly City” Award presented by Health Promotion Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare.
December	
05	Kunming Prevention and Control Center of Taipei City Hospital organized the “Taipei Drug Abuse Prevention Center 2020 drug use prevention and Social Safety Net Seminar”, and invited Administrative Member Bing-Cheng Luo of the Executive Yuan; Taipei Mayor Wen-Je Ko, Deputy Minister of Justice Ming-Tang Chen, Health and Welfare Minister Shi-Chung Chen to give a speech. Experts from various fields gave lectures and talks on drug abuse. 138 substance abuse counselors participated.
08	The Kunming Prevention and Control Center of Taipei City Hospital organized the 2020 Taipei City AIDS Prevention and Treatment Presentation Press Conference, which announced that Taipei had declining HIV infections (from 2018 to 2020) for three consecutive years. Taipei City Hospital Kunming Prevention and Control Center releases the commemorative issue of 50 Years at 100 Kunming Street. From September 26 to December 4, we hosted 22 AIDS prevention campus theater plays with 7,590 teacher and student participants.
17	Taipei City Hospital organized Taiwan’s first symposium of Compassionate Community—2020 Compassionate Community Symposium—Encounter Compassion and Take Care of Others.
24	In accordance with Article 16 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that Food businesses importing pork should be autonomous examination, effective January 1, 2021.
24	Taipei’s 12 District Health Centers were presented with Quality Improvement Award by the commissioner Shier-Chieh Huang. 100 people attended.
29	In accordance with Article 9 of “Taipei City Self-Governing Regulations for Food Safety”, the Department of Health, Taipei City Government announced that supermarket chains, wholesalers, and convenience stores that sell bulk fresh pork and edible parts of pigs should have a “ractopamine-free zone” on their premises, effective January 1, 2021.