New Border Control Measures for Domestic Workers bound for Hong Kong

The Hong Kong government has announced new border control measures for overseas inbound travelers based on "vaccine bubble" in order to build an anti-epidemic barrier to prevent the importation of cases. The new measures will take effect from 9 August 2021.

Domestic workers who have been fully vaccinated in Hong Kong must show their vaccination records before they will be allowed to board flights for their return / re-entry in the said country. Their vaccination records must be issued by a healthcare institution or a relevant authority of the Government of Hong Kong, China, or a country where its national regulatory authority is designated by the World Health Organization as a stringent regulatory authority.

Under the new measures, anyone who boards a flight for Hong Kong from overseas has to comply with the following three basic requirements:

(a) Present prior to boarding:
   (i) a negative result proof of a polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before the scheduled time of departure of the aircraft and
   (ii) confirmation of room reservation at a DQH for the required compulsory quarantine duration;

(b) Subject to "test and hold" arrangement at the airport upon arrival in Hong Kong; and

(c) Upon confirmation of negative test result, board the designated transport arranged by the Government to go to a DQH to undergo compulsory quarantine.

The above inbound travelers who have stayed in the new Group A specified places must comply with the following quarantine arrangements:

(a) Undergo compulsory quarantine for 21 days in a Designated Quarantine Hotel;

(b) Undergo 4 tests during compulsory quarantine;
(c) Self-monitoring in the subsequent 7 days; and

(d) Undergo compulsory testing in a Community Testing Centre on the 26th day of arrival in Hong Kong.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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