

# Standing Committees

## Education Committee's Report

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The Education Committee continued to organize regular educational and training activities in the past year. With the collaboration and support of colleagues, these activities have been conducted very smoothly.

The following is a summary of the activities.

### 1. Postgraduate Paediatric Training Course

The Postgraduate Paediatric Course was held between 18<sup>th</sup> July 2008 and 13<sup>th</sup> February 2009. It consisted of fourteen sessions of bedside teaching and eleven sessions of communication workshops. 32 trainees enrolled in the Course. Attendance was fairly stable. The average attendance rate was 50%. Feedback gathered from participants revealed that the Bedside Teaching sessions were generally better received, and difficulty in obtaining release from duties had prevented some trainees from attending the course in time. Dr Cheung Pik To, the Course Coordinator, has modified the Course this year aiming at increasing participation. Most teaching sessions will start at 5:30pm, half an hour later than that of last year. The option of running the Course over a longer period will be explored.

### 2. Paediatric Update Series

Both Updates last year were conducted in Grandrounds format, with case-based presentation, invited commentaries and open discussion. The seminars were inspiring

and thought-provoking. The clinical cases presented were very interesting and sparked enthusiastic discussion amongst the audience.

Paediatric Update No. 1 on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2008

Paediatric Grandrounds: Challenging Clinical Problems

Chairperson: Dr Alex CHAN

Coordinator: Dr CHEUNG Pik To

Cases and Presenters

- i. A Teenage Girl with Warty Lesions at the Perineum  
Dr NG Chi Hang, Dr LEUNG Ying Kit
  
- ii. A Toddler with Recurrent Vomiting  
Dr Mark CHAN

Attendance: 5 non-college presenters/discussants, 64 Fellows,  
1 Member/Associate, 2 visitors

Paediatric Update No. 2 on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2008

Paediatric Grandrounds: Challenging Clinical Problems

Chairperson: Dr Alex CHAN

Coordinator: Dr CHEUNG Pik To

Cases and Presenters

- i. A Child with Skeletal Dwarfism  
Dr CHIU Wah Keung
  
- ii. Suicidal Attempt in a Teenager with Epilepsy  
Dr CHAK Wai Kwong

Attendance: 4 non-college presenters/discussants, 53 Fellows, 1 Member/Associate

An Update on Paediatric Nephrology was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009. Dr Wong Sik Nin was the principal speaker.

### **3. Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course (PALS) 2008**

The PALS Course jointly organized by our College, the Heart Institute for Children, Hope Children's Hospital, Illinois, USA and the Hong Kong Paediatric Nurses Association was held between 30<sup>th</sup> October – 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2008. It was well attended by 110 participants,

including 43 doctors and 70 nurses. The venue has been moved from the Academy Building to the A & E Training Centre of Tang Shiu Kin Hospital for its convenient location and cheaper costs. PALS is a prerequisite for application for Membership of the College. Refresher Course is recommended for our Fellows and trainees who need to keep their knowledge and skills in resuscitation constantly updated.

#### **4. Child Protection Course 2008**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Child Protection Course was conducted on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2008 by Dr Patricia Ip, the Course Coordinator, with the assistance of several Medical Coordinators on Child Abuse. The full day programme combined lectures, case discussions and role play. 21 applicants were accepted. Priority was given to College trainees as the Course has been made as a mandatory part of the 6-year paediatric training. The possibility of starting an additional higher level course will be considered.

##### *The 7<sup>th</sup> Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting*

On 28<sup>th</sup> June 2008, College hosted the 7<sup>th</sup> Guangdong-Hong Kong and 1<sup>st</sup> Hong Kong Guangdong Shanghai Chongqing Paediatric Exchange Meeting in the Academy of Medicine Building. It was a huge success with over 100 participants from Hong Kong, Guangdong, Chongqing and Shanghai. There were 18 keynote lectures delivered by speakers from the four cities. A total of 88 posters were presented at the Meeting.

##### *Annual Scientific Meeting*

An annual scientific meeting will be held in December 2009 before the College AGM.

##### *Macau CME Programme*

At the invitation of the Chinese Medical Association of Macau, College has contributed 6 speakers to give six 2-hrs lectures for the 2009 Macau CME Programme. The target audience were primary care doctors of Macau. The CME Programme is still in progress.

The Education Committee would like to thank our guest speakers, committee members and colleagues for their tireless efforts, enormous contributions and active participation in making College's various educational activities so meaningful in the past year. The Committee also hopes colleagues will make full benefit of these training and activities.

**Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex**  
Chairman, Education Committee

## **CME subcommittee's Report**

This is the twelve year since College CME programme started in 1997 and the first year of the three year cycle of 2008 to 2010. There were concerns on the more stringent requirement by College. While Academy only requires Fellows' compliance over a 3 years cycle, our College requires yearly minimum and annual submission of ARF by Fellows. Workload on secretarial staff was also very heavy. With endorsement of council, the changes are now adopted to as follows:

- College will not charge for late annual return but instead the Academy will be responsible.
- Instead of annual compliance, 3 year cycle will be used according to Academy guideline.
- To decrease secretarial workload, the College will not process any individual active CME application once a Fellow reaches the 3 year cycle requirement.
- Instead of annual ARF submission by Fellows, the College secretariat will retrieve Fellow's CME profile from the Academy's iCMECPD and update their compliance by e-mail or letter annually.

The Academy has approved the College to allow parallel recognition for overseas Fellows who have their own Paediatric CME/CPD Program in their country of residence with effect from 1 January 2008. The overseas Fellows only need to submit the evidence of fulfillment of their country Paediatric CME/CPD program in lieu of the College Annual Return Form. So far, 7 overseas Fellows had acquired parallel recognition status. This is the first year of the first cycle with active CME / CPD requirement by the Academy. A total of 136 Fellows had acquired less than 30 or less than 5 active CME points for the first year. Of which, the majority do not have adequate active CME points. The CME subcommittee will work hard to facilitate Fellow's compliance in this area. Dr. Sam Lau has joined the subcommittee to provide more opinions from the private sector. This year, 11 Fellows have not submitted their ARF despite reminder.

A total of 82 activities providing 200 Cat A CME points were organized by the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians, the Hong Kong Paediatric Society and 11 subspecialty paediatric societies or study groups. In addition, we have accredited a total of 617 meetings (2,698 Cat A points) submitted by non-paediatric medical associations and individual Fellows for local and overseas conferences. The paediatric units of 14 public hospitals/institutes have continued to run regular CME meetings giving a total of 683 Cat B CME points this year. In addition, two private study groups and 12 private hospitals continued to have regular programmes, providing a total of 74 meetings with 115 Cat B CME points. This year, 22 Fellows and 266 Fellows had claimed Cat C (publications) and Cat D (self-study) CME points respectively and we have also accredited a total of 453 meetings (1,746 Cat E points) submitted by non-paediatric medical associations and individual Fellows for local and overseas conferences.

In 2008-2009, the CME subcommittee membership is as follows:

Chairman: Dr. TSOI Nai-shun (HK Paediatric Society)  
 Hon. Secretary: Dr. LAM Shu-yan, David (Membership Committee)  
 Members: Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex (Education Committee)  
 Dr. CHIU Cheung-shing, Daniel  
 Dr. HO Che-shun (Accreditation Committee)  
 Dr. Sam LAU  
 Dr. LEE Wai-hong (ex-officio Education Committee)  
 Dr. LEE Ngar-ye, Natalie  
 Dr. LOW Chung-kai, Louis (ex-officio Education Committee)  
 Dr. TSE Wan-ting, Philomena  
 Dr. WONG Sik-nin (ex-officio Education Committee)  
 Dr. YAM Man-ching  
 Dr. YUEN Hui-leung

### Summary of CME Activities Accredited (2008)

	Meeting organized	CME points approved
<b>Local Cat A activities (total)</b>	699	1,773
Automated subspecialty societies	72	143
Individual applications	20	150
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians	10	57
Non-paediatric Medical Associations	597	1,423
<b>Cat B Activities</b>	707	798
Private Practice Paediatricians	21	28
HA hospitals regular activities	633	683
Private Hospitals	53	87
<b>Cat C</b>	22	159
<b>Cat D</b>	206	1,736
<b>Cat E</b>	453	1,792
Individual applications	14	46
Non-paediatric Medical Associations	439	1,746

<b>Overseas Activities</b>	110	1,390
Cat A from Overseas Study Group	8	92
Cat B from Overseas Study Group	8	12
Cat E from Overseas Study Group	3	34
Individual Cat A/E applications	91	1,252

*Note: total of 96 local CME applications rejected*

		Date of Commencement of CME cycle	No. of Fellows	Total CME pts less than 30 or 5 Active in 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Total CME pts less than 30 in 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Less than 5 Active CME pts in 1 <sup>st</sup> year
Local	Fellows	01-01-2008	487	136	47	120
	Fellows	01-07-2008	5		0	0
Overseas	Parallel Recognitions	01-01-2008	7			
	Non-parallel recognitions	01-01-2008	16		4	5

**Dr. TSOI Nai-shun**  
Chairman, CME Subcommittee

*(The draft of this report was submitted to, and endorsed by, CME Subcommittee by circulation on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 by Dr. Tsoi Nai Shun.)*