

Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) and Hong Kong College of Paediatricians (HKCPaed)

Joint DCH (International) and DCH (Hong Kong) Examination 2011

The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) and the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians (HKCPaed) will be holding a Joint Diploma in Child Health Clinical Examination in Hong Kong in October 2011, awarding DCH (International) and DCH (HK) to the successful candidates.

The DCH Clinical Examination will be held on **25 October 2011** with a **NEW** format described on the HKCPaed website: <http://www.paediatrician.org.hk/councilnews.htm#dch>

A new DCH Syllabus has been introduced since November 2009. It will serve as the basis for assessments for the DCH Clinical Examination to be held in Hong Kong in October 2011. The new Syllabus is available for viewing at the following link on the RCPCH Website: <http://www.rcpch.ac.uk/training-examinations-professional-development/examinations/diploma-child-health/dch-clinical-struct>

Entry Qualification:

The DCH Clinical Examination is open to registered medical practitioners in Hong Kong. Candidates who have already successfully passed the Written MRCPCH Part 1A since January 2004 are eligible to apply. In addition, candidates who passed the Part IA examination in May 2005 or thereafter should have at least 6 months of Paediatric practice (resident medical officer or intern within 5 years prior to the date of the DCH Clinical Examination) in a recognized institution with acute paediatric hospital admissions. There are no exemptions from the Paper 1A examination.

Application:

HK opening date: 20 June 2011

HK closing date: 18 July 2011

Examination Fee: HK\$8,100

***DCH (HK) Diploma Fee:** HK\$1,100 (payable to Hong Kong College of Paediatricians)

***DCH (International) Diploma Fee:** £85 (payable to the Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health in UK £ Sterling)

* Successful candidates will be notified of these payments separately by the RCPCH and the HKCPaed in due course.

The following documents are available on the HKCPaed website at www.paediatrician.org.hk/entcnews.htm.

(A) RCPCH documents:

1. Application Form B2
2. Notes to the DCH Examination Entry Application Form
3. Information For Candidates (February 2010)

(B) HKCPaed documents

1. HKCPaed Application Form
2. Details of Application

Applications must be completed in every detail and accompanied by the correct fee and any other documents required. Completed applications of both Colleges must be returned to the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians **before 5:00 p.m. on 18 July 2011 by post or in person.** Late or incomplete applications cannot be accepted.

Notes on Submission:

In your submission, the following are required:

1. Completed application forms of both Colleges;
2. Certified true copy of the Annual Practising Certificate by the COS of your hospital or the District Office of Home Affairs Department or a practicing solicitor;
3. Copy of the letter from the RCPCH indicating you have passed the MRCPCH Part 1A;
4. One recent photograph of passport size (applicant's name should be printed in Capital letters at the back of the photograph);
5. A cheque in the amount of HK\$8,100 made payable to "Hong Kong College of Paediatricians".

Please note that as the number of places for DCH Clinical Examination will be limited, candidates will be accepted for examination on a first-come-first-served basis.