

HONG KONG COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICIANS

To : All COSs and Training Supervisors, Department of Paediatrics, HA Hospitals
All Associates, Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
Clinical Genetics Service
Child Assessment Service
Maternal and Child Health Centres

Date: 14th November 2023

Hong Kong College of Paediatricians **Examination Committee Circular No. 7/2023**

MRCPCH Clinical Examination **12-13 March 2024**

This is to announce application details of the MRCPCH Clinical Examination to be held in Hong Kong on **12-13 March 2024 (Tuesday to Wednesday)**.

1. **HK application opening date:** 27 November 2023 (Monday)
HK application closing date: 8 December 2023 (Friday)

2. **Examination fee:** HK\$16,600

3. **Eligibility**

Applicants for entry to the Clinical Examination must be holding posts and eligible to practice in Hong Kong and have completed a period of training at least two and a half years from the date of graduation given on their diploma of medical qualification. Within a five-year period before the date of the Clinical Examination, not less than 12 months should be spent in posts involving the care of paediatric emergencies.

4. **Application Form and Submission of Application**

- a. Candidates who wish to sit the MRCPCH Clinical Examination can apply by completing the **Application Form D** available with other associated documents on the following websites:

RCPCH: www.rcpch.ac.uk

HKCPaed: http://www.paediatrician.org.hk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46&Itemid=47

Application form and associated documents are also obtainable in person or by sending in a **HK\$4.1 stamped self-addressed envelope** to the College at Room 801, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong.

Candidate guidance for MRCPCH Clinical examinations can also be found in the RCPCH's website

<https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/resources/mrcpch-clinical-examination-candidate-guidance>

- b. **In case the number of applicants exceeds the capacity of our local examination centres, priority will be given to the following applicants:**
 - i. Applicants who have completed 36 months and with the longest duration of College recognized basic paediatric training on the date of the examination.
 - ii. Applicants with the same training duration but exceed this diet's capacity will be decided by draw lots after the application deadline.

- The RCPCH and HKCPaed have the final right to decide the acceptance and rejection of applicants. Appeal against such decision will not be addressed.
- Please complete the **Candidate Declaration Form** (attached) and submit with Application Form D.

Please note that the Examination might be cancelled should there be a severe outbreak of infectious diseases (e.g., COVID-19, SARS or Avian Influenza) or other unforeseeable circumstances at the examination time.

All candidates must comply with the infection control measures at the Examination.

- A passport size recent photograph of the applicant** should be submitted together with the application form. The name of the applicant should be printed in CAPITAL LETTERS on the back of the photograph.
- Completed Form D enclosing the examination fee made out in the form of a crossed cheque payable to '**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**' should reach the College office at the following address **before 5:30 pm on 8 December 2023 for new entries and re-entries.** Applications received after the closing date will **NOT** be accepted.

*Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
Room 801 Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building
99 Wong Chuk Hang Road
Aberdeen
Hong Kong*

5. **Withdrawal / Refund**

- Candidates who notify the MRCPCH Examinations Department in writing of their intention to withdraw from the examination **on or before 8 December 2023**, may be eligible for a 90% refund of the examination fee, depending upon the circumstances and at the discretion of the Examination Committee.
- A copy of withdrawal letter will need to be forwarded to us for reference / refund (where appropriate).
- Those who withdraw after **8 December 2023** or who are absent from the Clinical Examination will not receive a refund except in exceptional circumstances subject to the discretion of the Examination Committee.
- In case the application is rejected because of limited capacity of the Examination, there will be refund of the Examination Fee.
- In case the Examination is cancelled because of an outbreak of infection or other unforeseeable circumstances, there will be refund of the Examination Fee.
- Candidates who do not sit the Clinical Examination and do not withdraw before the date of their Clinical Examination will be marked absent and subsequently lose a Clinical Examination attempt.

6. **Clinical Attempts**

Candidates have a period of 7 years to complete the Clinical Examination from the date he/she passed all of the theory examinations. There is no limit to the number of attempts. If candidates are not able to pass the Clinical Examination within the seven years, he/she has to

re-sit the Applied Knowledge in Practice Examination in order to take the Clinical Examination again.

7. **Results**

Those candidates who successfully complete any part of the MRCPCH examinations will have their success published on the RCPCH website. This will be shown by candidate name and RCPCH code number. Those candidates who fail will not have their names and RCPCH numbers published on the website. **Any candidates who do not want their successful completion published on the website must notify the College by returning the completed “Stop Press” included in the application pack.**

8. **Enquiry**

Please call the College Secretariat at 2871 8769 or email to: enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk.

College Secretariat
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians

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Dr Luk Chi Kong David, Honorary Secretary, Examination Committee