

**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**  
**Developmental-Behavioural Paediatrics Subspecialty Training Programme**  
**Information for Application**

*Subspecialty Description*

Developmental-Behavioural Paediatrics (DBP) is a discipline of Paediatrics that deals with the evaluation, treatment and management of children with or at risk for developmental, learning, emotional and behavioural problems, through an understanding of the underlying biological and social factors, and delivered in context of the children's lives and families. It emphasizes evidence based practice, multidisciplinary and cross sector collaboration, and aims to promote the optimal development and behavioural health of all children.

*Commencement of programme*

This invitation is for the training programme commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2013. Invitations for training will normally be issued in January and July, subject to availability of trainers and clinical rotations.

*Eligibility*

- Specialists holding the qualification of FHKAM (Paediatrics) or its equivalent, or
- Candidates who have completed 3 years basic training in general paediatrics and have passed the Joint MRCPCH(HK)/ Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Intermediate Examination are eligible to receive up to a maximum of one cumulated year of DBP subspecialty training experience during their higher training in general paediatrics, subject to prior approval of the proposed training by the DBP Subspecialty Board;
- Fluency in spoken Cantonese and basic level of written Chinese.

*Duration of training*

This is a 3 years training programme, with a maximum of one cumulated year or training received during Higher Training in general paediatrics, subject to approval of the DBP Subspecialty Board.

*Training programme*

A. Clinical rotations

*DBP Core Programme (21 months)*

DBP Foundation module	18 months
Child Public Health	2 months full time or log-based equivalent*
Clinical Genetics	1 months full time or log-based equivalent*

**DBP Foundation module**

15 months in two CAC, 2 months in DKCH, 1 month annual leave	or	12 months in DKCH 5 months in one or two CAC, 1 month annual leave
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CAC: Child Assessment Centres, Child Assessment Service, Department of Health

DKCH: Child Development Centre, Duchess of Kent Children Hospital

*Other modules (15 months)*

Child Neurology	3 months full time or log-based equivalent*
Child Psychiatry	6 months full time or log-based equivalent*
Elective	6 months full time or log-based equivalent*

\* The number of hours/sessions that is equivalent to full time training. On-call duties optional for all rotations.

- B. Community involvement, research, teaching, and administration
- C. On-going assessments
  - Interim assessment at least every 6 months
  - Annual assessments
- D. Final exit assessment
  - Structured interview
  - Review of 2 dissertations with one accepted for publication, and at least 2 presentations
  - Program Director's report

*Application*

Please send duly completed Application Form and documents required to:

Dr. Patrick Ip, Hon. Secretary, DBP Subspecialty Board  
 c/o Ms Kitty Ho, College Secretary, Hong Kong College of Paediatricians  
 Room 801, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building  
 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Hong Kong

Deadline of application: **31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013**

Only applications with complete submission of documents required will be processed. The DBP Subspecialty Board will convene a meeting in November 2013 for selection of candidates. Eligible applicants will be notified for interview to be scheduled during the week of 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November. Successful applicants will be notified before the end of November, 2013.

*Enquiries*

Full details about the programme are available at the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians website <http://www.paediatrician.org.hk/>.

Please direct enquiries to Dr. Patrick Ip, Honorary Secretary, at [patricip@hku.hk](mailto:patricip@hku.hk)