

# Hong Kong College of Paediatricians NEWSLETTER June 2017

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## **Message from the Editors**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Asian Society for Pediatric Research (ASPR) will be held on 6-8 Oct 2017. The Congress will be chaired by our College President, Prof Yu-lung Lau. Please mark your calendar and meet up your fellow colleague in the Congress.

# The 13<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Asian Society for Pediatric Research (ASPR), 6-8 Oct 2017

Message from the President, Prof. Yu-lung Lau, the 13th Congress of ASPR

Dear College members in the University Sectors,

We are happy to inform that we are offering a very special rate at **HK\$100** per person to ALL undergraduate and postgraduate Students of Medical, Nursing, Allied Health, Science or related disciplines aiming to encourage more young people to come understand and learn more about Paediatrics.

Please encourage your students to participate in ASPR Congress 2017. Please see details at: <u>http://www.aspr2017.com/registration.html</u>.

I sincerely invite all your great support to the College and actively participate in the ASPR Congress. Come and Register now: <u>http://www.aspr2017.com/registration.html</u>

# **Professional and General Affairs Committee**

We would like to share with you a letter issued by Drug Office of the Department of Health on 21 April 2017 concerning the recommendation against the use of codeine and tramadol in children.

Please refer to the Drug Office website for this Letter and relevant information: <u>http://www.drugoffice.gov.hk/eps/upload/eps\_news/28003/EN/1/Prescription%20codeine%20pain%20and%20cough%20medicines%20and%20tramadol%20pain%20medicines%20-%20FDA%20restricts%20use%20in%20children%20-%20recommends%20against%20use%20in%20breastfeeding%20women.pdf</u>

This little note serves only as a caution reminder to our College members.

## **Examination Committee**

#### **Entry Requirement for DCH Clinical Examination**

With effect from the October 2017 diet, candidates need not pass the MRCPCH Foundation of Practice paper (FOP) before being eligible to apply for the DCH Clinical Examination.

However, candidates still need to pass the FOP paper after passing the DCH Clinical in order to be awarded the DCH Diploma. The DCH Diploma will <u>ONLY</u> be issued when <u>BOTH</u> components (Theory & Clinical) are passed.

Whichever component is passed first, candidates will need to pass the other component within a 7-year period counting from the date the first component is passed.

If candidates are not able to pass the other component within the 7 years, the previously passed component is no longer valid and candidates have to re-sit and pass that component before being able to apply for the other component again.

There is no limit to the number of attempts that candidates can make with regard to the DCH Clinical and DCH Theory examinations.

### **CME Category A Activities**

Listed below are CME Category A activities organized by the HKCPaed, various paediatric societies and institutions, and selected paediatrics-focused topics. For the complete list of Category A activities, including continuous courses, and Category B activities, please refer to the homepage of the HKCPaed. The accuracy of the information has been checked according to the details submitted by the responsible organizers. The information below is abstracted from the College Web site on 5 June, 2017. *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alternations*.

2017		
15 June	Topic:	1. A Baby with hypercalcaemia and A Child with Undescended
		testes
		2. Sharing session from APPES Fellows School 2016
	Venue:	Multifunction Room, G/F, Block D, QEH
	Time:	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
	Speaker:	Dr. Priscilla Lo (United Christian Hospital)
		Dr. Mandy Man (Tuen Mun Hospital)
Cat. A 2 pts	Organizer:	The Hong Kong Society of Paediatric Endocrinology & Metabolism
	Coordinator:	Dr Joanna Tung
	Enquiry:	Email: tungylj@yahoo.com.hk

16 June	Topic:	The Child's Right to Palliative Care: The Next Horizon for Pediatrics
	Venue:	TU201, Cheung On Tak Lecture Theatre, Hong Kong Polytechnic University Hong University

	Time:	6 pm – 8 pm
	Speaker:	Professor Jeffrey L. Goldhagen
Cat. A 1 pt	Organizer:	The Hong Kong Society of Children's Palliative Care
_	Coordinator:	Dr CH LI
	Enquiry:	Email: hkscpc2017@gmail.com
28 June	Topic:	Bone Mineral Disorder in CKD Children
	Venue:	Seminar Rm, Block A, G/F,QEH
	Time:	6 pm – 7:30 pm
	Speaker:	Prof. Robert Mak
Cat. A 1 pt	Organizer:	Hong Kong Paediatric Nephrology Society
_	Coordinator:	Dr Lai Wai Ming
	Enquiry:	Tel: 29903244
26 July	Topic:	Inter-Hospital Renal Biopsy Meeting
	Venue:	Reporting Room, 13/F, Block G, PMH
	Time:	6 pm – 7:30 pm
	Speaker:	Paediatric Nephrologists and Pathologists
Cat. A 1 pt	Organizer:	Hong Kong Paediatric Nephrology Society
	Coordinator:	Dr Lai Wai Ming
	Enquiry:	Tel: 29903244