

**THE HONG KONG COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICIANS**  
**2019 - 2020 SPECIALIST TRAINING COURSE IN PAEDIATRICS PROSPECTUS**

**1. Objectives**

The course aims to provide education guidance to help trainees consolidate the knowledge, attitudes and skills which they may need to acquire during their Basic Training and which the Intermediate Examination is designed to assess.

**2. Target participants**

The course is targeted primarily towards paediatric trainees at the level of Basic Training. Applicants must be an Associate of our College undergoing basic training in paediatrics. **Priority will be given to those who have not attended the Course before and have at least 12 months of College-accredited training.**

**3. Course Structure**

There will be over 20 teaching sessions with focus on Bedside Clinical Examination and Communication Skills. These sessions are, however, not meant to be mock examinations. For more detail related to the current examination formats please visit the official website of Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health <https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/education-careers/examinations/mrcpch-about>

**4. Duration, Time & venue**

The course will commence in May 2019 till February 2020.

Unless otherwise specified in the time schedule, the usual start time will be 5:30 pm for both the Communication Skills and Bedside Clinical Examination Teaching sessions. All these teaching sessions will be conducted on Fridays.

The venues will be stated in the course schedule. Course participants will be notified of any ad hoc changes via department coordinators or emails.

**5. Faculty**

College Fellows in different institutions will serve as tutors.

**6. Enrolment**

Course members should be nominated by their Department Heads in order to make sure that the clinical service of individual units will not be jeopardized.

## **7. Course Fee**

A non-refundable fee HK\$2,000 will be charged for successful applicants.

All applicants should *send their cheque payment TOGETHER WITH the application* to the College Secretariat.

Payment cheques will be returned to *unsuccessful* applicants.

*Please note that AN APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED UNLESS SUCH PAYMENT IS RECEIVED and a special processing fee will be levied (see point 8).*

## **8. Special processing fee**

In view of much administrative work imposed on our secretariat in the past to process incomplete/delayed applications (those failed to complete the application with an enclosed cheque payment or submitted their applications beyond the deadline), an administrative fee of **\$500** will be levied even if the applicant could offer acceptable justifications for special processing of his/her application.

## **9. Admission to program**

Only bona-fide registered Course members will be admitted to these sessions.

## **10. Attendance**

Attendance at the teaching sessions will be checked. Course members are expected to carry his/her Course name badge to join the teaching session and to facilitate the process of attendance checking. The attendance record will be returned to the College Secretariat. Attendance record will be shared with respective Training Supervisor as well.

## **11. Coordination & Venue Support**

A coordinator of every hosting Unit will be designated amongst the trainees to assist with program liaison, venue support, keeping and returning attendance record to the College.