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## Message from the Editors

December marks the end of the year. Our annual event, the Annual General Meeting was just held earlier this month. We will have a detailed account on the AGM in this issue of the Newsletter. On behalf of the House Committee, we would like to wish everyone a joyful X'mas and Happy New Year.

## Annual General Meeting 2011

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians was held on 10 December, 2011 at Lim Por Yen Theatre of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. The minutes of the 2010/2011 Annual Report of the College were received and approved unanimously. The Financial Report for the financial year ending on 31 March 2011 was received and approved.

As of the close of nominations on 7 October 2011, six nominations were received for the five vacant posts for Council Members. At the 20<sup>th</sup> General Meeting, Dr CHENG Chun Fai, Dr. HUEN Kwai Fun, Prof. LAU Yu Lung, Dr LEE Wai Hong and Dr SO Lok Yee were elected as Council Members of the College for the years 2011-2014. Mr CHAN Chi Hung was re-appointed as Honorary Legal Advisor and Mr Walter Ma re-appointed as Honorary Auditor.

The 2012 subscription fees would remain the same as in 2011 as follows: HK\$ 1,800 for Fellows, HK\$900 for Overseas Fellows, HK\$1,200 for Members, HK\$600 for Overseas Members, HK\$600 for Associates and Free for Fellows aged over 65 effective on 1 January 2012.

## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the College and 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the HM Lui Memorial Fund Celebration on 10 December 2011

After 18 months of enduring preparation and hard work under the able leadership of the President, Prof PC Ng, the Organising Committee finally brought to fruition a marvellous success.

The Celebration Day of 10 December started early with a fully packed Scientific Program that comprised a total of five sessions including the HM Lui Memorial Fund 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium and a Lunch Symposium, delivered by 17 speakers from the UK, Mainland, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong\*. All the lectures were well attended by more than 100 participants who helped to make the intellectual exchanges really interactive and interesting.

It was a busy day. In the early evening, in the Run Run Shaw Grand Hall, we had the Admission Ceremony of the New Fellows and New Members with the dear families fondly looking on at their achievements. The happy event was particularly graced by the presence of Dr Donald Li, Vice-President of the HK Academy of Medicine, Dr PY LAM, Director of Health, Dr PY Leung, Chief

Executive of Hospital Authority, the Hon Dr KL Leung, Legco Member, Dr F Lieh-Mak of the Medical Council of Hong Kong, the presidents and representatives of sister Colleges, and all the overseas speakers of the Scientific Program in the Stage Party. It was a very special day.

Certainly the highlight of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration fell on the Gala Dinner. While we were waiting in the Foyer outside the Run Run Shaw Grand Hall with our rattling stomach, our soul was fully fed with the enchanting live music performed by Dr Charles YC Wong and his string ensemble group. The Dinner had attracted a record-high turnout of more than 200 guests, and members of the College Community and their families. There were the heart-warming moments of presenting souvenirs to our invited paediatric organizations from abroad and the Mainland, and to our four Past Presidents, Prof CY Yeung, Prof NK Leung, Prof TK Fok and Prof Louis Low. Toasting to the College, we all sang the Happy Birthday Song and shared the Birthday Cake. It was a fantastic finale of the joyous and memorable milestone of the College at its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with laughter, good food and most important of all, rekindling of old and strengthening of new friendships. It was an unforgettable day.

An elaborated and informative Anniversary Album was also published by the editorial board led by Dr William Wong. Every Fellow/Member/Associate would receive a copy. As a matter of fact, an e-version of the Album has already been uploaded to the College website for handy reading whenever and wherever.

The Organising Committee sincerely thanks the inspiring chairpersons of the Scientific Program \*\* and the six charismatic Masters of Ceremony\*\*\* for their spectacular management of the entire programme of the day that all events were run superbly and on excellent timing, Pfizer Corporation Hong Kong Limited for the generous donation of an education grant to the Scientific Program and publication of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Album, and HM Lui Memorial Fund for graciously sponsoring its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium.

The College Council certainly looks forward to the continuing support of all within the College community in the years to come and wishes all a Very Merry Christmas and Happy, Healthy and Fulfilling New Year!

**\* Speakers at the Scientific Meeting** included

**Overseas** - Prof Terence Stephenson (UK), Prof YH Gui (Shanghai), Prof KL Shen (Beijing), Prof Tingyu Li (Chongqing), Prof JP Fang (Guangzhou), Prof PI Lee (Taiwan), Prof WS Lee (Malaysia), and Dr Steven Ng (Singapore).

**Local** – Prof YL Lau, Prof Tony Nelson, Dr CK Li, Prof TF Leung and Prof Godfrey CF Chan

**HM Lui Memorial Fund Scholars** – Prof JS Wang (Shanghai), Prof K Abuduxikuer (Xinjiang), Dr CM Chow (HK) and Dr Assunta Ho (HK)

**\*\* Chairpersons of the Scientific Meeting** included

Dr BQ Pan (Macau), Prof CY Yeung, Prof TK Fok, Prof L Low, Dr CW Chan, Prof PC Ng, Dr SN Wong, Dr CB Chow, Prof NK Leung & Dr Arthur Lui

**\*\*\* Masters of Ceremony** included

**Scientific Meeting** – Dr Lettie Leung & Dr Simon Lam

**Annual General Meeting** – Dr Dorothy Chan & Dr CM Chow

**Celebration Dinner** – Dr June Chan & Dr Marco Ho

# President's Speech at the Fellow Conferment Ceremony 2010

Dr. Donald Li, Dr. Lam Ping Yan, Dr. Leung Pak Yin, Professor Felice Lieh Mak, Dr. the Honourable Leung Ka Lau, Presidents and Representatives of Sister Colleges, Distinguished Guests, Colleagues, Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Welcome to the 20<sup>th</sup> Conferment Ceremony of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians. This year is a very special and important year of the College, as we are celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

We are extremely honoured that the Vice-President of the Academy, Director of the Department of Health, Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority, Chairman of the Medical Council and our Medical Legislative Councillor, Presidents and Representatives of Sister Colleges (both overseas and local), for coming to grace our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conferment Ceremony.

First and foremost, I must congratulate our trainees who have recently passed their intermediate conjoint examination or exit assessment to become new members and fellows of our College. I have always reminded my trainees that in order to be a 'good' Paediatrician, you must always place the interest of your patients at the top priority of your dedications. You must also be equipped with the knowledge and skills to help the sick and be able to work independently under stressful conditions. Most important of all, you must be righteous at heart so as to maintain your moral principles and medical ethics at all times and in all situations. Indeed, my heart-felt congratulations further extend to your parents and love-ones who provided you with unconditional care and support throughout this challenging and anxious period. Paediatrics, as in all other specialties, is for life-long learning. You must up keep your skills and update your knowledge even after completion of your initial training.

In the past 2 decades, our college membership has risen more than triple, starting from 233 to now reaching 720. The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians has thus maintained to be the third largest college in the Academy. I must thank our past presidents, current and past office bearers, council members, fellows, members and associates and staff at the college chamber for their relentless support and invaluable contribution throughout the past 20 years. Without their hard work and dedication, our College would not have grown from strength to strength and excelled in such a rapid pace.

Looking back at the past 12 months, the College had a challenging time trying to organise new programmes for improving our standard and training. I am pleased that the Accreditation Committee and the Working Group on Accreditation of Paediatric Subspecialties have started to process new applications of Paediatric subspecialties. The College hopes to establish the first Paediatric subspecialty within the coming 6 months. The Education Committee is actively pursuing to establish the Neonatal Resuscitation Programme (NRP) in conjunction with the American Academy of Pediatrics and local Paediatric organisations. The College anticipates that the first instructor course would soon be launched in the second trimester of 2012. The Examination Committee had smoothly adopted the new DCH format in the October diet of the examination and had also organised a trainer course for both new and existing examiners. In addition to all other Committees, I must also thank the House Committee and the Professional and General Affairs Committee on their assistance in organising the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary programme and reflecting the College's views to official channels and authorities on drug safety, children's rights and other critical health issues. Further, our Paediatric Foundation has completed its 6-year charity mission in Kuming, but the committee members will

continue teaching the NRP course in Guizhou. Indeed, the College is indebted to the chairman who has recently secured donations for funding future programmes, and organisers and trainers who sacrificed their precious time for this meaningful charity mission.

Today, this special occasion brings back fond memories of our previous scientific meeting at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with the theme of “Primary healthcare in Paediatrics”. The College has since consolidated our position that ‘Infants, children and adolescents are best looked after by Paediatricians with regard to their medical, developmental and psychosocial needs in the primary, secondary and tertiary health settings’. As the Government has introduced the ‘Primary Care Development in Hong Kong Strategy Document’ in December 2010, the College has invited Dr. York Chow from the Food and Health Bureau, Dr. Lam Ping Yan from the Department of Health, Dr. Leung Pak Yin from the Hospital Authority and other Government officials for a working lunch meeting on “Primary Healthcare in Paediatric” in August this year. The meeting was constructive and conducted in a mutually supportive atmosphere. We emphasized that the model of Paediatricians working in primary child care would be the most efficient and cost effective way to serve our community. Dr. Chow has reassured us that ‘The Primary Care Directory’ would be inclusive of all practitioners providing primary care. The College is committed to the development of “Paediatric Primary Care in Hong Kong”. Another good news is that the construction work of the Centre of Excellence for Paediatrics is likely to be completed in 2017. The College will do its utmost to facilitate smooth transition of our specialists into this new and exciting environment.

Finally, may I once again, congratulate our new members and fellows for the achievement and success in their career. I am sure that all of you will serve the community with your heart and for the betterment of our children’s health.

## **Examination Committee**

### **Results of recent examinations**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Examination</b>	<b>Pass / No. of sittings</b>	<b>Pass rate</b>
28 September 2011	MRCPCH Part II	5/11	46%
11 October 2011	MRCPCH Part I		
	Part IA	5/11	46%
	Part IB	3/12	25%
	Part IA (DCH)	0	0%
25 October 2011	DCH Clinical	12/12	100%
26-27 October 2011	MRCPCH Clinical	9/27	33%

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## 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 13 Dec 2011 *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alterations.*

<b>Dec 2011</b>		
21 Dec.,	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Is this epilepsy?</b>
	<b>Venue:</b>	Rm. E1034A & B, 1/F., Special Bldg., TMH
	<b>Time:</b>	14:00 - 15:30
	<b>Speaker:</b>	Dr. Lee Wing Cheong
Cat A 2 pts	<b>Organizer:</b>	N.T. West Cluster & NTW Private Practitioner's Network
	<b>Coordinator:</b>	Ms. Natty Lee / Mr. Simon Wong
	<b>Enquiry:</b>	Tel 2468 6811 / 2468 6249

<b>Jan 2012</b>		
12 Jan,	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>The UK MEND Childhood Obesity Intervention Program</b>
	<b>Venue:</b>	Departmental Seminar Room, 6/F., Clinical Sciences Bldg., PWH
	<b>Time:</b>	13:00 - 14:00
	<b>Speaker:</b>	Ms. Sally Shi Po Poon
Cat. A 1 pt	<b>Organizer:</b>	CUHK
	<b>Coordinator:</b>	Prof. Albert Li
	<b>Enquiry:</b>	Tel 2632 2982

<b>Feb 2012</b>		
07 Feb	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>PYNEH &amp; Stanford University School of Medicine Medical Teleconference Programme - Topics in Neonatology</b>
	<b>Venue:</b>	Seminar Room 1, G/F, HKEC Training Centre, Multicentre Block B, PYNEH
	<b>Time:</b>	09:00 - 10:30
	<b>Speaker:</b>	To be decided / Academic staff from Stanford University
Cat A 2 pts	<b>Organizer:</b>	Dept of Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, PYNEH & Stanford University School of Medicine
	<b>Coordinator:</b>	Ms Choi Sau Sau
	<b>Enquiry:</b>	Tel 2595 6410 css052@ha.org.hk