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Message from the Editors

It has been two years since we started battling against the novel coronavirus. The virus came in different generations of variants, as it struck the world one wave after another. Like other colleagues in various specialties, our fellows, members and associates have worked very hard to provide care for sick children and their parents in hospitals and in the community, disseminate health information and promote vaccination. Please remember to take good care of yourselves and your loved ones too.

Vice President's Message

Dear Fellows, Members and Associates,

The fifth wave of omicron variant of SARS-CoV-2 has hit Hong Kong badly. Starting from early February, the constant influx of patients has overwhelmed most hospitals. There was a time when the Paediatric isolation facilities were completely occupied, leading to a hold-up of children at the Emergency Departments, thus further adding to their burden.

Fortunately, the disease associated with the virus was relatively mild and self-limited in most children. Nonetheless there were a few cases of fatalities in early February. Whether these cases have shifted the parents' collective awareness to vaccination is arguable. In fact, in mid-February SCMP reported a survey that showed an alarmingly high proportion of parents were still reluctant to let their children get immunized. It would seem that there are prevailing misbeliefs about vaccination that we need to dispel.

Many Paediatricians have been active in educating the public about vaccination. I am very thankful for their efforts. The College has also written to the Secretary for Food and Health, the Secretary of the Civil Service and the Secretary for Education asking them to expand the community vaccination capacity and to pay attention to residential schools and creches. After an appeal in late February, we are pleased to find out that our fellows in private practice have also been very enthusiastic in driving up the vaccine coverage.

I have written to the Director of Health about the availability of antipyretics in early March. Reassurance was given to me that the local manufacturers and suppliers have been requested to increase production and supply. The Department of Health issued a statement on this shortly after my letter, advising the public not to stockpile unnecessarily.

I hope the COVID situation has somewhat abated by the time this message reaches you. Collaboration is the key in the fight against a pandemic of this magnitude. I would like to express my most heartfelt gratitude to you all who have fought SARS-CoV-2, our common enemy, at various fronts.

Stay well and keep safe.

Dr WU Shun Ping
Vice President
HK College of Paediatricians

Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)

An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) will be held on **11 May 2022** (Wednesday) at 6:00 pm in MG Room 2, Ground Floor, M Block of Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

The Council hopes that at this EGM:

1. The successful candidates of the December 2021 Exit Assessment, whose names are set out in the Appendix to the Notice, will, by your Ordinary Resolution, be admitted as new Fellows.

Please do come to the EGM to show your support. It is necessary to have at least 15 Fellows physically present in order to constitute a quorum.

Announcement from the Working Group of Curriculum Review

Curriculum Review – First stage consultation

The first stage consultation will continue till **30 April 2022**. There are some feedbacks and opinions expressed particularly about Domain 3 (Clinical Competence – procedures).

Please visit <https://www.hkpaedcr.paediatrician.org.hk> and give us your opinions

Mandatory Training Course – PALS, NRP, Sedation Safety, Child Protection and Palliative Care

These courses have been postponed due to the omicron outbreak. Please watch out for announcements when these courses resume.

Announcement from Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB)

Following the establishment of six Paediatric Subspecialties, the Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB) endorsed the accreditation reports of Subspecialty of Paediatric Haematology & Oncology (PHO) which was approved in 197th Council Meeting on 22 March 2022, together with a list of potential First Fellows. The proposed new subspecialty and potential First Fellows list will be submitted to Hong Kong Academy of Medicine for approval.

Membership Committee

The following doctors were approved to join the College as Associates.

1. TAN Yok Weng

The following doctors were recommended for elevation to Members.

1. CHAN Ka Fai
2. CHAN Sau Ching
3. CHAN Sin Yi Cindy
4. CHAN Suk Yan, Suki
5. CHAU Shi San
6. CHIU Chi Ying Jaime
7. CHUNG Ka Shing
8. FAN On Ki
9. HAU Siew Yun
10. HO Chun Lok
11. HO Chung Sum
12. KWONG Hiu Ching
13. LAU Sui Ho
14. LEE Yuen Lam
15. LEUNG Yuk Chi
16. MAK Phoebe Qiaozhen
17. WONG Lok Hei
18. YUNG Vivian Queenie

The following doctors were recommended for elevation to Fellows.

1. NG Ka Wai Selina
2. TSANG Ho Yin
3. WAN Hin Fan Stephen

Announcement from CME Subcommittee

Please note that the current CME/CPD cycle starting on 1 January 2020 will end on 31 December 2022. Fellows need to obtain a minimum of 90 points (in which 30 points should be Category A; 15 points should be active) in order to comply with the CME/CPD requirements. The CME Subcommittee would like to suggest Fellows to plan their CME/CPD activities in a manner so as to ensure they can fulfill at least the remedial requirements (60 points) in the remaining period of the cycle.

Please note that failure to comply will affect the Academy Fellowship and eligibility to remain on the Specialist Register in the Medical Council of Hong Kong. If Fellows would like to remain as “Retired Fellow” of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, they need to submit the request to the Academy before the end of this cycle. If not, Fellows are required to complete the Remedial Program in the following year before being accepted as a Retired Fellow of the Academy.

E-Portfolio System

Dear Basic Trainees / Higher Trainees,

The E-portfolio system (<https://eps.paediatrician.org.hk>) has been officially launched on 1 January 2022. The usage of the system has been increasing, but at a very slow pace.

If you have not started using EPS, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to log on and fill out your personal information. Trainees are also required to log their training by EPS. It will soon replace all paper forms of training record. The personal, appointment and professional profile entries are essential for fellowship nomination with HKAM via electronic means, completion is essential before interfacing can be established.

There will be a learning curve. But we are sure that, as time goes by, every one will be more familiar with the operation of the system.

If you encounter any problem logging in using your College website log-in information, please approach the College Secretariat for assistance.

If you have any feedback on how to improve the system, please write to us at enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk. Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Do take good care in the COVID situation.

Best regards

Dr Frankie Cheng
Honorary Secretary
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians

Professional and General Affairs Committee

New PGAC members nominated from YFS

Welcome to three young fellow members to join our PGAC Committee.

1. Dr. CHOW Chit Kwong
2. Dr. LAM Cheuk San Ivan
3. Dr. LUI Tak Yau Stephen

Links to the HK College of Paediatricians 30th Anniversary Celebration events

30th Anniversary Scientific Meeting cum HM Lui Memorial Fund 20th Anniversary Symposium, and 30th Anniversary Celebration Banquet were successfully held on 4-5 December 2021.

All interested members can reach event materials at 30th Anniversary page of Hong Kong College of Paediatricians website:

http://www.paediatrician.org.hk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=457&Itemid=152

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 Website on 30 March 2022. *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alternations.*

Apr 2022		
11 Apr (Mon)	Topic:	Acute Watery Diarrhea In Children (Online)
	Venue:	Online Please register according to the instructions through here 1 week before the lecture
	Time:	14:00 to 15:00
	Speaker:	Dr. LAM Jenks Albinus
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	Hong Kong Medical Association
	Coordinator:	HKMA Secretariat
	Enquiry:	Email: cme@hkma.org Tel: 2527 8452
20 Apr (Wed)	Topic:	Management of Paediatric Asthma (Online)
	Venue:	Online Please register according to the instructions through here 1 week before the lecture
	Time:	14:00 to 15:00
	Speaker:	Dr. SIT Sou Chi
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	Hong Kong Medical Association
	Coordinator:	HKMA Secretariat
	Enquiry:	Email: cme@hkma.org Tel: 2527 8452
20 Apr (Wed)	Topic:	COVID-19 and its latest clinical management strategies
	Venue:	Online Please register according to the instructions through here 1 week before the lecture
	Time:	19:00 to 20:00
	Speaker:	Dr. Marissa Grifasi WILLIAMS Dr. YAP Desmond Yat Hin
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	Hong Kong Society for Infectious Diseases
	Coordinator:	Ms Fiona WONG
	Enquiry:	Email: fiona.wong@merck.com Tel: 6013 9076

May 2022		
17 May (Tue)	Topic:	Kawasaki Disease
	Venue:	Online Zoom details: https://zoom.us/j/93071284328 Webinar ID: 930 7128 4328 Passcode: 355441
	Time:	13:15 to 14:15
	Speaker:	Dr LEE Shuk Han Maria
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	Simulation Training Centre, Hong Kong Children's Hospital
	Coordinator:	Ms Mandy IP
	Enquiry:	Email: iym554@ha.org.hk Tel: 5741 3126

27 May (Fri)	Topic:	Paediatric ECMO in Hong Kong: Past, Present & Challenges ahead
	Venue:	Online Zoom details: https://zoom.us/j/93184333522 Webinar ID: 931 8433 3522 Passcode: 334551
	Time:	13:15 to 14:15
	Speaker:	Dr. LUN Kin Shing
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	Simulation Training Centre, Hong Kong Children's Hospital
	Coordinator:	Ms Mandy IP
	Enquiry:	Email: iym554@ha.org.hk Tel: 5741 3126
