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## Message from the Editors

As we breathe in the wintry cold air, we will soon bid farewell to 2023 and welcome the year of 2024. We wish our fellows, members, associates and their families a merry Christmas and a happy new year! Stay safe and keep warm. Please read this newsletter for the coverage on the Annual General Meeting and Fellows Conferment Ceremony.

## President's Address at Conferment Ceremony on 2 December 2023

Prof Gilberto Leung, Dr Libby Lee, Dr Ronald Lam, Dr KL Chung, Dr the Honourable David Lam, Prof Zhiwei Zhang, Dr Kin Man Lui, Presidents and Representatives of our sister Colleges, Past Presidents, Council Members, Fellows and trainees, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, a very good evening to you all.

On behalf of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians, welcome to our 32nd Conferment Ceremony for new Fellows and Members. It is my great honour and privilege to welcome you all to this special occasion.

As the hosting College President, I must thank all our esteemed guests and representatives from our Academy, our government, fellow medical institutions in Guangdong, Macao and Hong Kong and our sister Colleges for your blessings and precious time. Your presence adds to the significance of this important event. You have my deepest gratitude and appreciation. I must also take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to our College Council and Committees, and our College secretariat for all their hard work throughout the year.

Today, we are here to celebrate the achievements of our new Fellows and new Members, who have successfully completed their rigorous training and assessments. They have demonstrated their competence, professionalism, and dedication to the children and families they serve.

I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to all the new Fellows and new Members. You have worked hard and persevered to reach this milestone in your career. You have earned the recognition of your peers and mentors. You have also joined the ranks of our College. New Fellows, you are now full-fledged paediatricians, with the knowledge, skills, and responsibilities that come with this title.

As paediatricians, you are also part of a diverse and dynamic paediatric community. While you may have specialised roles and interests, you nevertheless must share a common goal: to improve the health and well-being of children and adolescents in your community. You also share a common bond: to support and learn from each other, to collaborate and innovate, and to uphold and advance our profession.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of my thoughts on how we can foster a more collegial and collaborative culture within our paediatric community. I have noticed that many of our doctors, especially the younger ones, tend to start their presentations with the phrase “Dear professors, seniors and colleagues”. This phrase has never sat well with me and I have reflected a lot on its meaning. It implies that there is a clear distinction and distance between professors, seniors, and the colleagues and begs so many questions in my mind. It also implies that the presenter is somehow inferior or subordinate to the others.

I hope that we can shift this perspective, or at least reflect on its implications. I hope that we can see each other as equals, as collaborators, and as friends. I hope that we can appreciate the diversity and richness of our paediatric community, and the value and contribution of each member. I hope that we can communicate and collaborate with each other based on the best interests of our patients and their families, not on our titles or seniority.

I also hope that we can embrace the spirit of life-long learning and teaching. As paediatricians, you have reached a high level of competence, but you should not stop here. You should continue to update your knowledge, to refine your skills, and to explore new horizons. You should also continue to seek advice and help from others, and to offer advice and help to others. You should continue to teach and mentor the next generation of paediatricians, who will look up to you and learn from you and will inevitably address you as their “senior” or “professor”.

Our College is committed to supporting you in your professional development. We are implementing a new competency-based curriculum, which will provide you with more structured and comprehensive training and assessment tools. We are also developing courses on medical education, which will help you to enhance your feedback and assessment skills. We hope that you will join these courses and benefit from them.

Once again, congratulations to all the new Fellows and new Members. You have made us proud and happy. You should also be proud of your achievements and passionate about your future. I wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Thank you.

## **Honorary Secretary’s Report**

### **32<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting, Fellows Conferment Ceremony and Annual Dinner on 2 December 2023**

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting was held successfully on 2 December 2023 at Lim Por Yen Lecture Theatre of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. The minutes of the 31<sup>st</sup> AGM held on 3 December 2022 was endorsed.

This year, the 3-year terms of four of our Council Members, namely, Dr CHAN Hin Bui, Dr CHOW Chin Ying, Dr LEUNG Cheuk Wa Wilfred, and Dr KWAN Yat Wah, had drawn to a close, according to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, they were eligible for re-election. In addition, there was one (1) Council vacancy open for election. Notice of invitation of nominations for Council Members were sent to all Fellows. By the end of the nomination period on 10 October 2023, the College had received five (5) nominations for the five vacant posts of Council Members. Dr CHAN Hin Bui, Dr CHOW Chin Ying, Dr FUNG Lai Wah Eva, Dr LEUNG Cheuk Wa Wilfred and Dr KWAN Yat Wah Mike were nominated as Council Members for the years 2023-2026.

Mr Kenneth Sit and Walter Ma & Co. were re-appointed as the College’s Honorary Legal Advisor and Auditor respectively for year 2024. The 2024 subscription fees would remain as the same as last year, i.e. HK\$2,300 for Fellows, HK\$1,150 for Overseas Fellows, HK\$1,500 for Members, HK\$750 for Overseas Members and HK\$800 for Associates. The subscription fee for paediatricians aged 65 or above before 1st January 2024 would continue to be waived.

The Annual General Meeting was followed by the Admission Ceremony of the New Members and conferment of New Fellows, as well as Certificate Presentation to the Subspecialty New Fellows of Genetic & Genomics (Paediatrics), Paediatric Endocrinology, Paediatric Immunology, Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Paediatric Neurology, Paediatric Respiratory Medicine, and the Subspecialty First Fellows of Paediatric Haematology and Oncology.

We are indebted to Prof Gilberto Leung, President of the HK Academy of Medicine, Dr Libby LEE Ha-yun Libby, JP, Under Secretary for Health of the HKSAR Government, Dr Chung Kin-lai, Cluster Chief Executive of the New Territories East Cluster, Hospital Authority, the Hon. Dr David Lam Tzit-yuen, LegCo Member, Prof Zhang Zhiwei, Chairman of Pediatric Branch, Guangdong Medical Association, Dr Lui Kin-man, President of the College of Pediatrics, Macao Academy of Medicine, the Presidents and representatives of Sister Colleges who showered grace to our day's events with their presence and blessings. It was an evening of honours.

The Annual Dinner was attended by over 140 members of the College and guests. Photo Album is available [HERE](#) to share the joyful moments with all College members. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all College members and their families a Merry Christmas and a New Year full of joy and happiness in 2024.

## **In memory of Dr CHAN Chok Wan**

Dr Chan was a driving force in Paediatrics. He will be remembered as a seasoned teacher and an inspirational leader who had always had a passion burning in his belly.

When I was a medical student, I knew Dr Chan as a private doctor who returned to the Paediatric wards on the sixth floor of Queen Mary Hospital to teach regularly. His teachings somehow stayed with me after all these years. I still have vivid memories of how he spoke about laryngismus stridor and hypocalcaemia, and how he enthusiastically affirmed us when we gave him a correct answer.

I got to know Dr Chan better when I served in the Council of the Hong Kong Society of Child Neurology and Developmental Paediatrics which he presided. There was so much going on in the society then that its Council meetings often went past midnight. Under Dr Chan's capable leadership, the solidarity of the paediatric neurologists was forged, and it has since been growing stronger and stronger still.

Dr Chan had advocated passionately for the welfare of children with specific learning disabilities for many years through the collaboration with doctors, educators, psychologists, social workers and scientists. He organized the first and probably the only international conference on SLD in the region. Through his tireless efforts, SLD been put squarely onto the centre stage of special education in Hong Kong. Children with SLD are forever indebted to him.

Dr Chan was one of the longest serving Council members of the College. He was also the longest serving chairman of the Accreditation Committee and the first Director of the Committee for Subspecialty Boards. People would go to him for advice when they were unsure how business should be conducted because he knew the rules and regulations of the College like the back of his hand. Dr Chan was always quick with his wits, resolute in this arguments, but kind with his words. He never raised his voice even in the most vociferous discussions. Instead, he would use his gentle persuasion to put an end to confusions and disagreements.

I will always be in awe and in gratitude to Dr Chan. May he have eternal rest.

Dr Wu Shun Ping  
Vice President (2022 - 2024)  
Hong Kong College of Paediatricians

# Message from Honorary Treasurer

## Year 2024 Annual Subscription

With the upcoming start to a new year, we remind you that it is again time for payment of your Hong Kong College of Paediatricians annual subscription fee. You are kindly requested to settle your annual subscription fees as follows:

- (1) HK\$2,300 for Fellows
- (2) HK\$1,150 for Overseas Fellows who have applied for and been granted overseas status by the College.
- (3) Fellows, Members and Associates over the age of 65 before 1 January 2024 are exempted from paying their annual subscription fee (i.e. Date of Birth on/before 31 Dec 1958).
- (4) HK\$1,500 for Members
- (5) HK\$750 for Overseas Members who have applied for and been granted overseas status by the College.
- (6) HK\$800 for Associates

### Payment methods:

- a) By cheque: make your cheque payable to “**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**” and send it to the Honorary Treasurer via the College secretariat at the address below **on or before 31 January 2024**. Please mark your full name and fellowship/membership number on the back of the cheque.
- b) By electronic means: transfer the subscription fees (at **Hang Seng Bank** counters, through **Hang Seng/HSBC Bank** ATM machines or electronically through online banking platforms) to our **Hang Seng Bank Account**:  
**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians with a/c #024-262-370000-668**
- c) **Direct Debit Authorisation 自動轉帳** (The invoice and DDA form will be emailed to all College members)
- d) **FPS 轉數快** Hong Kong College of Paediatricians FPS: 103266565

\*NOTE\* Electronic payments must be accompanied by an e-mail of the transfer slip to us at [enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk](mailto:enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk) (with your name and fellowship/membership number marked clearly on the slip).

**P.S.: Please do NOT use CHATS or Bank Remittance.**

**If remittance is used, please pay for all local and overseas bank charges to ensure that College will receive the full amount of subscription fees.**

Please note **an electronic receipt** of your payment for the Annual Subscription Fee for 2024 will be sent to you for your record.

If you would need the **original receipt**, please let us know and we will post the original receipt to you. To facilitate our sending of payment receipts to you, please have **your full name, address and telephone number** written clearly on the back of the cheque.

**Dr FONG Nai Chung**  
**Honorary Treasurer**  
**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**  
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**Aberdeen, Hong Kong**

May we take this opportunity to wish you Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

# Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB)

## Conferment of Subspecialty Fellows

The College would like to congratulate the following colleagues who were certified as respective Subspecialty First Fellow and New Subspecialty Fellows. Subspecialty certificates were presented at the Fellows Conferment Ceremony on 2 December 2023.

### **Subspecialty of Genetics and Genomics (Paediatrics) (GGP)**

Dr HO Stephanie

### **Subspecialty of Paediatric Endocrinology (PE)**

Dr SEE Wing Shan

Dr TO Sharon Wing Yan

Dr WONG Tsz Wai Catherine

Dr YAM Wing In

### **Subspecialty of Paediatric Immunology, Allergy and Infectious Diseases (PIAID)**

Dr LAM Cheuk San Ivan

Dr NGAI Noelle Anne

### **Subspecialty of Paediatric Neurology (PN)**

Dr MO Chung Yin

### **Subspecialty of Paediatric Respiratory Medicine (PRM)**

Dr CHENG James Wesley Ching-hei

Dr YU Wai Ling

### **Subspecialty First Fellow in Paediatric Haematology and Oncology (PHO)**

Dr CHAN Yau Ki Wilson

## Forum on Paediatricians with Special Interest (PSI) and Programme on Advanced Paediatrics (PAP) Training Pathways for Fellows, Members and Associates

Date: **30 December 2023 (Sat)**

Time: 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Venue: Block M, Ground Floor, Room 2,  
Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Targets: All Fellows, Members and Associates



The targets are young fellows and trainees, or other interested Fellows would be invited to contribute to this important Forum. Your participation at the Forum would be very much appreciated and we value your contributions and valuable advice. Please receive a tentative programme of the forum for your information. To allow us an estimation of the attendance, please let us have your positive reply by completing the below QR code for registration on or before 29 December 2023 (Friday).

Trainees and Fellows are most welcome to continue to provide feedback and information regarding paediatric subspecialty accreditation and development via the College Secretariat ([enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk](mailto:enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk)) to Prof CK LI, Director of Subspecialty Boards and Dr Frankie CHENG, Honorary Secretary of the CSB.

## Re-election of GGP Subspecialty Board Members

The College would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following colleagues who have been appointed as Members of the Genetics and Genomics (Paediatrics) (GGP) Subspecialty Board.

Membership of the Subspecialty Board in GGP (January 2024 – December 2026):

	<b>Name of Nominee</b>	<b>Functional Sector</b>	<b>Position</b>
1.	Dr LUK Ho Ming	HA	Chairperson
2.	Dr CHENG Sze Wing Shirley	HA	Hon Secretary
3.	Dr CHONG Shuk Ching Josephine	University	Member
4.	Dr CHUNG Hon Yin Brian	University	Member
5.	Dr LO Fai Man	DH	Member & Past Chairperson

The re-election result has been endorsed by the Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB) on **2 November 2023** and College Council on **28 November 2023**.

## Membership Committee

The following doctors were approved to join the College as Associates

1. Dr CHAN Hoi Ho
2. Dr CHENG Hoi Ching
3. Dr LUI Oi Yan Venus
4. Dr NG Ka Yan Tracy
5. Dr PANG Chung Yan
6. Dr SEE Man Kit Brian
7. Dr TAM Ho Yin
8. Dr WAN Yuet Wa Chara
9. Dr WAN Yan Yan
10. Dr WONG Jovina Hoi Yien
11. Dr YAM Hei Tung
12. Dr YU Wai Yan
13. Dr YI Jiaying Sweety

The following doctors were recommended for elevation to Members.

1. Dr CHAU Fung Yee
2. Dr CHOW Hiu Fung
3. Dr HO Sin Kwan Sandra
4. Dr HO Wing Tung
5. Dr KUNG Choi Kim
6. Dr LAM Hiu Ching
7. Dr LAM Kei Kwan Brian
8. Dr RONALD Royce
9. Dr WONG Chui Hang
10. Dr WONG Wan Ching
11. Dr WU Hei Man Tania



# Education Committee

## Announcing the 2023 Best Dissertation Prize and 2023 Best Young Investigator Prize winners

Congratulations to our 2023 winners! We are pleased to announce the recipients of the following prizes.

### The 2023 Best Dissertation Prize (BDP)

LAU Hoi Ying Sharon (PWH) for her paper entitled “A novel enhanced category-based risk assessment (eCRA) framework in neonatal early-onset sepsis triage”



### The 2023 Best Young Investigator Prize (BYIP)

Dr LIU Pak Yin Anthony (HKCH / HKU) for his paper entitled “Molecular classification and outcome of children with rare CNS embryonal tumors: results from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital including the multi-center SJYC07 and SJMB03 clinical trials”  
(published online: Acta Neuropathologica 18 August 2022)



The prizes have been presented to Dr Lau and Dr Liu at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Conferment Ceremony on 2 December 2023.

## 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting

The 2023 ASM was held on 2 & 3 December 2023. More than 15 presentations on various topics by Paediatricians from Guangdong, Macao and Hong Kong were given. The winners of the Best Dissertation Prize, Dr Sharon LAU and the Best Young Investigator Prize, Dr Anthony LIU, also gave their talks on the winning researches.

We would like to thank our colleagues of the Greater Bay Area for coming, and also the support of many fellows, members and associates by coming to the event.



## Examinations Committee

### Results of recent examinations

Date	Examination	Pass / No. of sittings	Pass rate
20 Sep 2023	MRCPCH Applied Knowledge in Practice Examination (AKP)	5/6	83%
11-12 Oct 2023	MRCPCH Clinical Examination	7/25	28%



# 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, 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 event organizers on 18 December 2023. *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alternations.*

<b>December 2023</b>		
21 Dec (Thurs)	Topic:	A Girl with Fever and Dactylitis
	Venue:	Please click <a href="#">here</a> to register
	Time:	18:00 to 19:00
	Speaker:	Dr. Norman CHAN
Cat. A 1 point	Organizer:	The Hong Kong Society For Paediatric Rheumatology
	Coordinator:	Dr. Assunta HO
	Enquiry:	Dr. Alice CHAN Email: <a href="mailto:oimanchan@cuhk.edu.hk">oimanchan@cuhk.edu.hk</a> Tel: 5569 9299

<b>January 2024</b>		
20 Jan (Sat)	Topic:	Paediatric Cardiology Symposium 2024
	Venue:	Star Room, Level 42, Cordis Hotel, 555 Shanghai Street, Mongkok, Kowloon, Hong Kong Please click <a href="#">here</a> to register
	Time:	12:15 to 17:00
	Speaker:	Various
Cat. A 3 points	Organizer:	Hong Kong College of Cardiology
	Coordinator:	Ms. Sandra WAN
	Enquiry:	Email: <a href="mailto:sandra@hkcchk.com">sandra@hkcchk.com</a>

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