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Message from the Editors

We bid farewell to 2024 and welcome 2025. This is the peak season for influenza in our locality. Please keep warm, stay vigilant, and make sure you and your family, your friends and your patients have received the seasonal influenza vaccination. As we celebrate the Year of the Snake, we wish our readers and friends joy, peace and good health!

Announcements from Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB)

Membership of CSB 2025

Dr CHAN Chi Ngong Lawrence of PWH has been appointed by the College Council as the new Honorary Secretary of the CSB at its 214th Council meeting on 14 January 2025. Further to the announcement of TOR in 2024, the membership of CSB has been streamlined and revamped, please also find the [update CSB membership list](#) for your information on the College website.

Subspecialty of Paediatric Cardiology (PC)

We would like to update the progress of the Subspecialty for your information:

The College Council has endorsed the commencement of the PC accreditation process on 30 January 2024 as recommended by the Vetting Subcommittee and Committee for Subspecialty Boards (CSB). The Assessment Subcommittee has worked with the External Assessor, Professor Michael Cheung, on the vetting of the First Fellow applicants and interviewed the applicants during the accreditation visit to Hong Kong by Professor Michael Cheung from 4 December to 10 December 2024. Seven hospitals applied for training centre or networking training centres, and accreditation visits were done. The council endorsed the list of First Fellows and the training centres. The PC Provisional Subspecialty Board has been formed and would operate until the formal establishment of the Subspecialty of Paediatric Cardiology after approval by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and Medical Council of Hong Kong.

Re-election of PIAID Subspecialty Board Members

The College would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the following colleagues who have been appointed as Members of the Paediatric Immunology, Allergy and Infectious Diseases (PIAID) Subspecialty Board. Membership of the Subspecialty Board in PIAID (January 2025 – December 2027):

Name of Nominee	Functional Sector	Position
Dr Chan Wai Hung	HA	Chairperson
Dr Chong Chun Yin	Private	Member
Dr Kwan Yat Wah Mike	HA	Member
Dr Leung Sze Yin Agnes	University	Member
Dr Jaime Sou Da Rosa Duque	University	Member

Dr Ho Pok Ki Polly	Hon Secretary and Co-opted Member
Dr Lee Pui Wah Pamela	Co-opted Member

Subspecialty of Paediatric Endocrinology (PE)

The College would like to congratulate Dr LAI Sin Ting (UCH) who has successfully met all the requirements and passed the Exit Assessment on 2 December 2024 for the Subspecialty of PE. Dr LAI has been approved by CSB and endorsed by the College as Fellows in the Subspecialty of PE at the 214th Council Meeting on 14 January 2025. The Conferment will be held on 6 December 2025.

Maximum Subspecialty Training Period and Interruption of Subspecialty Training

The standard duration for subspecialty training is 3 years. In special cases, a training interruption is permissible with approval from the subspecialty board, but it should not exceed 1 year. The total duration of subspecialty training, including the Exit Assessment, should not exceed 6 years from the start date of the training programme.

Application for Quotable Qualification (QQ) Certificate

Further to the announcement of [Quotable Qualification](#) on the College Newsletter June issue 2024 (P.2-4), CSB would like to clarify the eligible criteria for QQ application process specifically designed for the subspecialty fellow who has completed 3 years of subspecialty training, submission of dissertations and Exit Assessment. The QQ is not applicable to the First Fellows of the Subspecialty.

The first case of QQ in a subspecialty must be submitted to Medical Council of Hong Kong (MCHK) directly by individual subspecialty fellow, and the College will not be involved in the processing of the initial application. Once the first case is registered in that specific Subspecialty, the eligible fellows can apply for the Certificate by filling in the [form](#) downloadable from the College website (**Appendix I**).

To streamline the workload, the College will process the requests of the production of QQ Certificate with the title Cert HKCPaed (XX) at an application fee of HK\$2,000 on a quarterly basis, the submission cut-off dates will be 31 March, 30 June, 30 September, and 31 December. Please be reminded that First Fellows are not entitled to quote this title.

Formation of Faculty and Curriculum Development Committee (FCDC)

A new committee named the Faculty and Curriculum Development Committee (FCDC) has been established for ongoing faculty and curriculum development, aiming to take up the responsibilities of training up College Faculty members, namely, trainers, examiners, training supervisors, and collegial leads in medical education. The roles and competencies of these four levels of Faculty are described in the HKAM framework.

The FCDC is to continue the work of the Curriculum Review Working Group, with the proposed functions to include:

1. To train up College Faculty members in accordance with the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (HKAM) Framework for Faculty Development;
2. To regularly review and update the paediatric specialist curriculum;
3. To help align formative and summative assessment methods with the learning outcomes outlined in the curriculum;
4. To regularly review the validity and reliability of the College's assessment methods;
5. To collaborate with sister institutions and the HKAM on improving educational capacity and expertise.

Composition of Members

Chairperson : Dr CHENG Wai Tsoi Frankie
Hon secretary : Dr TUNG Yuet Ling Joanna
Members : Dr CHAN Chi Ngong Lawrence
Dr FOK Oi Ling Annie
Prof LAM Hugh Simon Hung San
Dr LI Chak Ho Rever
Dr SHIU Yiu Keung
Dr TO Pui On Simon
Dr TSO Wan Yee Winnie
Dr WU Shun Ping

The FCDC will closely collaborate with the Committee for Subspecialty Boards, the Education Committee and the Examination Committee on the development of our curriculum and assessments. It will also leverage the Academy's resources earmarked for medical education to lead collaborations with the Academy, such as Workplace-based Assessment (WBA) Workshops, and inviting external experts for assessment review. Please download the [terms of reference](#) of the FCDC for viewing.

Dear Fellows, Members and Associates:

You are cordially invited to our first Paediatric Update of the year on 8 March 2025 (Saturday) at 2 PM in Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Five talks centered around the theme of paediatric emergencies will be delivered by a panel of local experts.

We believe the session will be very practical for our frontline colleagues and trainees to spot the red flags of emergencies.

Please refer to the poster for more information. We look forward to your active participation! Do come and see you.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Frankie CHENG
Vice President, Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
Chairman, Education Committee



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2025 Paediatric Update No. 1

Tackling the Challenges: Essentials in Paediatric Emergencies

Date and Time: 8 March 2025 (Saturday), 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Venue: Room 3, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

TOPICS:

Rapid Response: Tackling Paediatric Infectious Disease Emergencies

Dr Polly HO

Department of Paediatrics, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Metabolic Emergencies

Dr Anne KWOK

Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, Hong Kong Children's Hospital

Tackling the Neurologist's Nightmare

Dr Calvin CHOW

Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, United Christian Hospital

From Cyanosis to Collapse: A Practical Guide to Common Paediatric Cardiac Emergencies

Dr Julia SHI

Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, Hong Kong Children's Hospital

Common Paediatric Respiratory Emergencies

Dr Michelle Tsang

Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, United Christian Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Frankie CHENG

CME Accreditation: Hong Kong College of Paediatricians – TBC

All are Welcome!

Please note:

- (1) This is a face-to-face meeting.
- (2) To obtain the CME credit, we encourage all fellows to use the iCMECPD app or the eHKAM app for the recording of your attendance. The app can be downloaded here:
 - a. For Apple devices: http://page.hkam.org.hk/iOS_eHKAM
 - b. For Android devices: http://page.hkam.org.hk/Android_eHKAM
- (3) For assistance in logging onto the eHKAM app, please approach the eHKAM help desk Helpdesk@hkam.org.hk. Please visit www.hkam.org.hk for more information.
- (4) For enquiry, please contact enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk.

Announcement from Professional and General Affairs Committee

香港電台第一台《精靈一點》香港兒科醫學院系列 in 2025:

Date	Topic	Society
7/1/2025	傷風感冒の超容易處理法	The Hong Kong Society of Paediatric Respiriology and Allergy Prof Ellis HON Kam Lun Dr CHIU Wa Keung
3/2/2025	兒童高血壓	Hong Kong Paediatric Nephrology Society Dr KUOK Chon In, Manson Dr LIN Ying Kit
4/3/2025	年輕心源性猝死? 關唔關我事?	Hong Kong College of Cardiology (The Paediatric Cardiology Chapter) Dr KWOK Sit Yee
7/4/2025	To be confirmed	The Hong Kong Paediatric Haematology and Oncology Study Group
6/5/2025	預設照顧計劃在兒科的應用	The Hong Kong Society of Children's Palliative Care Dr MAN Sze Shun 林國嫻女士：兒童癌病基金服務總監 病人家長：思澄媽媽

Announcement from Examinations Committee

Results of recent examinations

Date	Examination	Pass / No. of sittings	Pass rate
16 Oct 2024	MRCPCH Foundation of Practice (FOP), Theory & Science (TAS) Examination	10/22	46%
		12/18	67%
19 Dec 2024	53 rd Exit Assessment	10/11	91%

Announcement from Young Fellow Committee



YOUNG FELLOW COMMITTEE

**25 APRIL
2025
2:00PM - 4:00PM.**

**VISIT TO GOVERNMENT
FLYING SERVICE HEADQUARTERS**

18 South Perimeter Road
Hong Kong International Airport, Lantau

Bring up to 4 guests - Free of charge!

Registration Deadline: 21 March 2025, Friday

*All participants must be aged 12 or above.

Application form at Appendix II

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 [College Event Calendar](#).

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 27 January 2025. *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alternations.*

Date	Time	CME	Topic	Organizer	Venue	Speaker	Registration / Enquiry
14-15/2	08:30 To 17:15	6, 6	HKCH Interactive Neonatal Advanced Monitoring and POCUS Training Workshop	Simulation Training Centre, Hong Kong Children's Hospital, HA	Tower A, 1/F, Simulation Training Centre, Hong Kong Children's Hospital	Prof. Muzafar Gani ABDUL WAHAB; Prof. Yasser ELSAYED; Prof. Adel Mohamed; Dr. Elim MAN	Registration/Enquiry Contact Name: Horace WONG Registration/Enquiry Contact Tel: 57414308 Registration/Enquiry Contact Fax: Nil Registration/Enquiry Contact Email: hc.wong3@ha.org.hk Registration Deadline(dd/mm/yyyy): 14/02/2025
20/2	19:00 To 20:00	1	Cryopreservation in Klinefelter syndrome: 1) Perspectives from reproductive medicine specialists 2) Perspectives from urologist	Hong Kong Society of Paediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism	Kwong Wah Hospital	Dr. Jennifer KO, Dr. Wilson HUNG	Registration/Enquiry Contact Name: Dr SEE Wing Shan Registration/Enquiry Contact Tel: 90450363 Registration/Enquiry Contact Fax: N/A Registration/Enquiry Contact Email: hkspem@gmail.com Registration Deadline(dd/mm/yyyy): 13/02/2025 Website for activity: https://hkspem.blogspot.com/
8/3	14:30 To 17:00	2	Child Health	Hong Kong College of Family Physicians	8/F Duke of Windsor Social Service Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai	Dr. KWONG Bi Lok, Mary	Registration/Enquiry Contact Name: Ms. Alky YU / Ms. Nana CHOY / Ms. Yvonne CHOW Registration/Enquiry Contact Tel: 28718899 Registration/Enquiry Contact Fax: 28660616 Registration/Enquiry Contact Email: dfm@hkcfp.org.hk Registration Deadline(dd/mm/yyyy): 28/02/2025

29/3	09:00 To 21:00	6	3rd APPSPGHAN PIBD Masterclass	HKSPGHAN / Asian Pan- Pacific Society	Auditorium HKCH / Shanghai Room, Cordis Hong Kong	Various	Registration/Enquiry Contact Name: Dr Stephen LUI Registration Fee: HK\$450-1200 Registration/Enquiry Contact Tel: 2559 9973 Registration/Enquiry Contact Fax: 3512 7598 Registration/Enquiry Contact Email: info@pibd2025.org Website for Activity: https://Pibd2025.org
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Parallel Recognition of Overseas CME Program

Introduced by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (HKAM) in 2007, provides an alternative pathway for Fellows practicing Paediatrics overseas to meet both the CME requirements of their country of practice and those of Hong Kong Medical Council simultaneously.

Eligibility criteria for the program are as follows:

1. The Fellow must reside and practice in an overseas country.
2. The Fellow must be registered and practicing as an accredited Paediatric Specialist in their country of residence.
3. The Fellow must participate in a CME/CPD program in Paediatrics, as required by the relevant Paediatric College, Board, or Medical Council, to maintain their Specialist Registration in the country of residence.

Overseas Fellows interested in applying for the Parallel Recognition of Overseas CME Program should send an email inquiry to cme@paediatrician.org.hk.

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Quotable Qualification Certification

Application Form

Applicant:		中文	
Institution:			
Rank / Post:			
Email:		Phone:	
Year of HKCPaed Fellowship:		Year of HKAM Fellowship:	
Subspecialty Applied:			
Date of Subspecialty Exit Assessment:			
Date of Council Endorsement:			

Declaration of the Applicant

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that all information given or attached is true, accurate and complete and authorize the College to verify and to communicate the above information with whatever sources the College may choose.

Name (Block letter)	Signature of Applicant	Date
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Note

- 1) The personal data provided by means of this form will be used by the College and MCHK for the purpose of processing application for the quotable qualification certification in Subspecialty.
- 2) Please return the completed application form and administration fee of **HK\$2,000** (payee name “**Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**”) to:

Dr CHAN Chi Ngong Lawrence
 Hon. Secretary, Committee for Subspecialty Boards
 c/o Stephanie Lai, College Secretariat,
 Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
 Room 801, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building
 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, HONG KONG

Tel: 2871 8842
 Email: enquiry@paediatrician.org.hk

Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
Young Fellow Committee Social Function 2025
Visit to Government Flying Service Headquarters

Date / Time: **25 April 2025 (Friday), 2:00pm – 4:00pm**

Venue: 18 South Perimeter Road Hong Kong International Airport Lantau Hong Kong

Registration Deadline: 21 March 2025, Friday

Free of charge for: College Fellows / Members / Associates

No. of places: **First come first serve**

Registrations are limited to College Member with up to 4 guests.

*All participants must be **aged 12 or above**.

REPLY SLIP

Full Name:	Fellow no:	Member no:	Associate no:
*Please indicate clearly as we need to apply for permit with the full name			
HKID Card no:			
*Please include the English letter + first 3 digits (Eg: A123)			
Hospital and Department:			
Mobile contact: (for emergency)	Email:		
Name of guests (up to 4):			
Full name and HKID Card no *Please include the English letter + first 3 digits (Eg: A123)			
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3.	4.		

The HKID number collected is just solely for application of the permit, and will not be used for other purposes, and the application could not be proceeded in case of failure to provide HKID number.

The following are the regulations they wish us to comply:

- i. The applicants admitted to the GFS premises shall comply with the laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in respect of all acts and activities held in the GFS premises.
- ii. The applicants shall indemnify and keep the Government fully and effectively indemnified against any loss of or damage to any property of the Government or of any of its employees, agents or contractors or any injury to or death of any employee, agent or contractor of the Government arising out of the negligence of the applicant/organisation or any of its Related Persons.
- iii. The applicants will solely be held liable for personal injury or loss in connection with this visit.
- iv. The applicants understand and accept that the GFS has the right to withdraw or terminate the visit under operational and emergency condition.
- v. All participants, leaders/caretakers and any of its Related Persons will bring along with the original proof of identity and strictly follow the guidance and instruction provided by the GFS.
- vi. All participants, leaders/caretakers and any of its Related Persons will not approach or touch the aircraft and equipment without the permission of the GFS.
- vii. The appointment will be cancelled if the visiting group has been late for 30 minutes or more.