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Message from the Editors

It has been two years since the last Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting in Pun Yue. The forthcoming 5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting will be held on 24 July 2004. This time our College will be the host. Colleagues are reminded to attend this important meeting and take this good opportunity to meet our colleagues from Guangdong.

In this College Newsletter, there are several issues posing great concern to all our members. These include the Guidelines for Exit Assessment, new format of MRCPCH and Intermediate Exam (Clinical), updated Guidelines on Accreditation of Paediatric Training and Guidelines on Paediatric Subspecialty Accreditation. All of these documents have been uploaded into our College Website. Associates, Members and Fellows are encouraged to visit our website (<http://www.paediatrician.org.hk>) for full access of these documents.

The 5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting

All College Fellows, Members and Associates are reminded that the 5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting will take place on 24 July 2004 at the Pao Yue Kong Auditorium, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. This year there will be nearly 100 poster

presentations from Guangdong and Hong Kong in addition to the 12 invited oral presentations (**Appendix I**). All our Fellows, Members and Associates are reminded to come and attend the meeting to make it a success. Please find the registration form in **Appendix II**.

Congratulations

Our heartiest congratulations to the following Members of the College who passed the recent Exit Assessment in June 2004:

- 1) Dr Chan Kwok Lap
- 2) Dr Chan Siu Yu
- 3) Dr Chong Wan Yip
- 4) Dr Fung Cheuk Wing
- 5) Dr Ho Mo Ching, Linda
- 6) Dr Lee Tat Nin
- 7) Dr Li Ka Wah
- 8) Dr Liu Ka Yee, Stephenie
- 9) Dr Ng Cheuk
- 10) Dr Wu Shui Ping

Moreover, we would like to congratulate **Dr. Au Yeung Cheuk Lun, Henry**, Fellow of our College, for being elected the Chairman of the Lok Sin Tong Benevolent Society, Kowloon for the year 2004-2005.

Examination Committee

The Guidelines for Exit Assessment has been amended in December 2003 and is accessible from College Website (*Special Announcements* → *Examination Committee*). Your attention is drawn

to the following minor change: Section A. (1) (d) "No two papers should be on the same disease condition".

The new format of MRCPCH and Intermediate Examination (Clinical) will start in October 2004. Briefly the previous 3-part examination including long case, short cases and viva will be replaced by 10 skills stations designed to test the candidates' communication skills/ethics, consultation skills/management planning, clinical examination of various systems and developmental assessment. For details, please read the document on College Website (*Special Announcements* → *Examination Committee*).

Professional and General Affairs Committee

Child Advocacy

In light of the recent tragedy in Tin Shui Wai and other serious child abuse cases, our College has written to the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food in support of Child Death and Serious Child Abuse Reviews. Through such multi-disciplinary and multi-agency reviews we hope to prevent future child deaths and injuries and these children would not have suffered in vain.

Response to the Government Consultation Document on Avian Influenza

In order to enhance the protection of our citizens, and especially our children, our College has recommended to the government the adoption of the concept of "cold-chain" for all poultry meat for sale at retail outlets.

PALS Course 2004

The course is scheduled to be held from **2 to 6 October 2004**. Application details will be announced nearer the time.

Mini-charity Film Show

Our College is organizing for members and their families a film show with appeal both to children and adults tentatively in the morning of Sunday, 12

September 2004. This is a social gathering which would also raise funds to buy medical supplies for our colleagues' Cambodia Medical Mission Trip in mid-October. Mark your diary for this meaningful function.

Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Foundation

At the 6th AGM on 18 May 2004, the following nine Executive Committee members have been elected to serve the Foundation for a term of 2 years. They are:

- 1) Dr Vincent T.C. Leung
- 2) Dr Daniel D.Y. Lau
- 3) Dr Chang Kan, Jane
- 4) Dr Cheng Chun Fai
- 5) Professor Leung Nai Kong
- 6) Dr Ng Kwan Wai, Alan
- 7) Dr Tam Yat Cheung, Alfred
- 8) Dr Yu Chau Leung, Edwin
- 9) Dr Yuen Kar Ngai, Robert

Subsequently, at the 32nd Exco Meeting of HKCPF held on 3 June 2004, office bearers have been elected as follows:

Dr Vincent T.C. Leung – Chairman

Dr Daniel D.Y. Lau – Honorary Treasurer

Dr Chang Kan, Jane – Honorary Secretary

with Professor Fok Tai Fai and Dr Ko Wai Keung, Frederick (President and Honorary Treasurer of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians respectively) as Ex-officio Members.

Accreditation Committee

The Guidelines on Accreditation of Paediatric Training have been updated and endorsed by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Education Committee on 10 June 2004. The document can be viewed from the College website under *Special Announcements* → *Accreditation Committee*. The highlights of the document are listed in **Appendix III**.

Task Force for Higher Training in Paediatric Subspecialties

Since the open forum held on 11 February 2004 where members of the Task Force introduced the proposed Guidelines on Paediatric Subspecialty Accreditation, we have received a number of questions from Fellow colleagues. These have been discussed at the Task Force and Council meetings and a summary of the questions and feedbacks from the Task Force was compiled and sent to all Subspecialty Groups. Fellows who are interested can read the documents from the College website under *Special Announcements → Task Force for Higher Training in Paediatric Subspecialties*.

The Task Force noted that many other sister Colleges such as Colleges of Physicians, Orthopaedic Surgeons, Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, and others have already established or are in the process of establishing Double Fellowship for the higher training of subspecialties. The merits of Double Fellowship over that of Board Certification are as follows:

1) CME/CPD is mandatory for Double Fellowship but not for Board Certification, which will then ensure maintaining the standard of the subspecialist for the many years following the initial recognition of the status of being subspecialist.

2) Double Fellowship will enable the subspecialist to have a choice to be quoted either as a paediatric subspecialist or a specialist in paediatrics on the Specialist Register maintained by the Medical Council of Hong Kong, but not both. This is however not possible for Board Certification.

3) Double Fellowship will not be prescriptive in terms of the type of practice that is allowed for the Fellow concerned, i.e. a Fellow who is registered as a paediatric subspecialist on the Specialist Register can still practice in mainstream general paediatrics. This is also true for Board Certification. Based on the above analysis, the Task Force has recommended to the Council that the College

should go for Double Fellowship instead of Board Certification for the higher training of paediatric subspecialties. Council has endorsed the above strategy at its 90th Council Meeting on 13 May 2004.

So far the preparation of the final Guidelines on Criteria of Accreditation of Subspecialty Training Programme is still ongoing. The Task Force has not received any applications for Subspecialty Accreditation yet.

CME Subcommittee

Synchronization of CME Cycle:

As announced by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, all Fellows would start their CME cycle afresh on 1 January 2005 so as to synchronize with the duration of practising certificate following the decision of Medical Council of Hong Kong to make CME a requirement for practising doctors. In order to achieve this end, CME cycles started within 3 years before 1 January 2005 will have to be counted on a pro-rata basis. This means that if one's CME cycle length before 1 January 2005 is 1.5 years, he/she shall need to gain 45 CME points before 1 January 2005. To facilitate Fellows in fulfilling the CME requirements prior to that date, the Academy has approved the following one-off arrangements - for Fellows whose CME cycles ending at the end of June 2004, their cycles would be extended by 6 months to end at the end of December 2004, and an additional 15 CME points are required on top of the 90 points requirement. Under this situation, the Fellows whose cycle-years end in June 2004 are not required to submit their Annual Return Forms at the end of June 2004."

H. M. LUI Memorial Fund

The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians established the H. M. LUI Memorial Fund in Year 2001 to promote postgraduate study and research in liver diseases and related disciplines in children.

Applications are invited for the H.M. LUI Fellowship, which will be awarded annually to

those who are able to meet the following minimum criteria:

THE H. M. LUI FELLOWSHIP

The H. M. LUI Fellowship will be awarded to paediatricians (or medical graduates) of ethnic Chinese origin aged below 40 years, including but not exclusive of the residents of Hong Kong SAR and of the Mainland of China, for education, training and research in the United Kingdom in **paediatric liver diseases or gastroenterology in Year 2004-2005.**

The award of the Fellowship will consist of:

1. An air passage by the most economical route.
2. Monthly allowance of HK\$10,000.
3. Reimbursement of course fees and books up to HK\$6,000.

The award of the Fellowship shall be for a period of six months. Application must be made by nomination by the Head of the Department of Paediatrics or Hospital Chief Executive. **The deadline of application is 31 October 2004.**

Enquiries and application forms are available from Mrs. Christine Leung, College Secretary of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians at Room 808, HK Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Bldg., 99 Wong Chuk Hand Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong. Tel: (852) 2871 8871 Fax: (852) 2785 1850 Email: hkcpaed@netvigator.com or visit our website: www.paediatrician.org.hk.

Travel Arrangements

The College made special travel arrangements with two reputable travel agents, viz. Swire Travel Limited and Farrington American Express Travel Services Limited last year to provide personalized travel services to our members. Members who have consented to provide their e-mail addresses would have already received updated travel information directly from these agents. Other members who wish to obtain up-to-date information on special fares, tours and packages are advised to browse the column on “**Members’ benefits**” in “**Members’ Sections**” of the College’s website.

Appendix I



Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
香港兒科醫學院



**Provisional Programme for 5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting
24 July, 2004**

0800 onwards	Registration
0845 - 0900	Opening Ceremony 沈皆平, 陈述枚, 李文益 楊執庸, 梁乃江, 霍泰輝
0900 - 1015	Chairpersons -李文益 霍泰輝 广东省小儿慢性肾衰竭调查报告 陈述枚, 广东省儿科肾病专业组 High prevalence of insulin resistance and metabolic syndrome in obese pre-adolescent Hong Kong Chinese children aged 9-11 years. Prof. Rita Sung, Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong. 儿童造血干细胞移植并发出血性膀胱炎的危险因素分析与防治研究 徐宏贵 中山大学附属第二医院儿科
1015 - 1100	Tea Break and Poster Viewing *
1100 - 1215	Chairpersons -謝衍銘 楊執庸 Crohn Disease in Chinese Children in Hong Kong Dr. David Lau, Tseung Kwan O Hospital, Hong Kong 小剂量左旋门冬酰胺酶在儿童性淋巴细胞白血病治疗中的应用研究 吴梓梁 广州医学院第一附属医院儿科 An Overview of Medical Genetics in Hong Kong Dr. Stephen Lam, Clinical Genetic Service, Hong Kong

1215 - 1300	Lunch
1300 - 1400	Poster Viewing *
1400 - 1515	<p>Chairpersons –方建培 梁乃江</p> <p>注意缺陷多动障碍儿童执行功能特征的研究 李建英 中山大学第三附属医院儿童发育行为中心</p> <p>Dyslexia and other Specific Learning Disabilities Dr. Catherine Lam, Child Assessment Service, Department of Health, Hong Kong.</p> <p>小儿全身炎症反应综合征早期 TNFα 与皮质醇含量的变化及相关关系 杨镒宇 广州市儿童医院</p>
1515 - 1600	Tea Break and Announcement of Best Posters
1600 - 1715	<p>Chairpersons –林曉源 盧忠啓</p> <p>Exposure to lead and mercury in children and chelation therapy. Dr. Patricia Ip, United Christian Hospital, Hong Kong.</p> <p>Transcatheter coil embolization of congenital heart disease in pediatric patients: Experience with 121 cases. Dr. Zhang Zhiwei, Guangdong Cardiovascular Institute, Guangzhou.</p> <p>Towards Universal Neonatal Hearing and Screening in Hong Kong Dr. Betty Young, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, Hong Kong.</p>
1715 - 1730	Closing Ceremony Presentation of Prizes
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5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Meeting

Meeting Registration Form

Please print clearly and complete all the blanks.

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Family Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ First Name: _____

Department / Institution: _____ Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Name to appear on the Meeting Name Badge: _____

Registration for Social Function, please delete one:

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2. In training units with age-orientated wards, the rotation through all such wards within the 3-year Basic Training Programme should normally be evenly distributed. (see Section 7.4.a.iv)
3. In training units with established subspecialty teams, an accredited standardized rotation of trainees through different subspecialties for 18 months and for 6 months in neonatology will also be accepted as core programme of the Basic Training Programme. Subspecialty rotations during the 2-year core programme should preferably be not more than 3 months but definitely not more than 6 months for each subspecialty rotation. Trainees should not rotate through these subspecialties again in the 1-year flexible programme (the exception being neonatology and a trainee is allowed to have a further 6-month training during the flexible programme). (see Section 7.4.a.iii)

It was further discussed at the Accreditation Committee meeting on 27 April 2004 that before the establishment of Paediatric Subspecialty Boards, the accreditation of subspecialty teams or age-orientated teams for the purpose of Basic or Higher Paediatric Training will be based on the existing guidelines for a training team, i.e. 10-30 inpatients per day under a qualified trainer.

Each Training Centre will shortly receive invitation from the Accreditation Committee to submit:

- 1) the trainees list matched to accredited training teams (including trainees in other training programs in the same unit) and
- 2) a template of rotation that the trainees usually go through in their Basic Training including subspecialty teams or age-orientated wards.
- 3) In addition, you will be invited to provide detailed information about each subspecialty team (trainers, number of inpatient beds, bed-occupancy, bed-days occupied, facilities, duly endorsed by the Chief-of-Service) for accreditation as a training team.

In addition, training units are reminded to inform the College Accreditation Committee when there is any change in the bed status and functional designation of beds because this may affect the accreditation of training teams.

CME Category A Activities

Listed below are CME Category A activities organized by the HKCPaed and various paediatric societies and institutions. For the complete list of Category A activities 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. *Members and fellows are reminded to enquire the contact person listed below for last-minute alterations.*

June 2004	
16 June (Wed) CME Cat. A 1 pts	<p>Topic: Breastfeeding and the evidence of prevention of atopic dermatitis</p> <p>Venue: Staff Lounge, 1/F, Wai Oi Block, Caritas Medical Centre</p> <p>Time: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm</p> <p>Speakers: Dr Chan Cheong Wai</p> <p>Organizer: Breastfeeding Support Group for Staff (CMC)</p> <p>Enquiry: Dr Cheung Ka Ming, Tel: 34087911</p>
16 June (Wed) CME Cat A 2 pts	<p>Topic: Effective health promotion for children and adolescents - the role of child health professionals</p> <p>Venue: Room 02.041, 2/F, Main Block, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital</p> <p>Time: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm</p> <p>Speakers: Prof Albert Lee</p> <p>Organizer: Department of Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Erica Chung, Tel: 25956410</p>
19 June (Sat) CME Cat A 3 pts	<p>Topic: Update series on child health 2004 – Session I 1. Current advances in epilepsy management 2. Introduction to positive parenting</p> <p>Venue: Ballroom, 3/F, Sheraton Hotel</p> <p>Time: 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm</p> <p>Speakers: Dr Ada Yung Mrs Francis Au</p> <p>Organizer: Hong Kong Paediatric Society</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Kwong, Phone 28596421</p>
24 June (Thu) CME Cat A 1 pt	<p>Topic: Education programme for management of disabled children</p> <p>Venue: Room 01, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital</p> <p>Time: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm</p> <p>Organizer: Comprehensive Paediatric Rehabilitation Centre, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Suki Tsang, Tel: 25956860</p>

July 2004	
10 – 13 July (Sat – Tue) CME Cat A Max. 18 pts	<p>Topic: International Pediatric Respiratory, Allergy and Immunology Congress (IPRAIC) 2004</p> <p>Venue: HK Convention & Exhibition Centre</p> <p>Organizer: HK Society of Paediatric Respirioly</p> <p>Enquiry: Dr Alfred Tam/Congress Secretariat, Tel: 25093430</p>
13 July (Tue) CME Cat A 2 pts	<p>Topic: Medical Teleconference Programme - Topics in Neonatology</p> <p>Venue: Lecture Theatre, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital</p> <p>Time: 7:30 am – 9:30 am</p> <p>Organizer: Department of Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital & Stanford University School of Medicine</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Erica Chung, Tel: 25956410</p>
19 – 22 July (Mon – Thu) CME Cat A Max 18 pts	<p>Topic: Griffith Mental Development Scales Training Course</p> <p>Venue: Children's Habilitation Institute, The Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Sandy Bay</p> <p>Speakers: Dr Winnie Goh, Ms Connie Leung</p> <p>Organizer: Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, The Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Sandy Bay</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Joyce Tsang, Tel: 29740277</p>
22 July (Thu) CME Cat A 2 pts	<p>Topic: Meeting of Inborn Error of Metabolism - Kowloon West Clusters</p> <p>Venue: Room 10, 2/F., Block G, Princess Margaret Hospital</p> <p>Time: 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm</p> <p>Organizer: Departments of Paediatrics & Pathology, Princess Margaret Hospital; Clinical Genetics Services, Department of Health</p> <p>Enquiry: Dr Lee Shing Yan, Tel: 29901111</p>
24 July (Sat) CME Cat A Max. 6 pts	<p>Topic: 5th Guangdong-Hong Kong Paediatric Exchange Conference - Scientific Meeting 2004</p> <p>Venue: Pao Yue Kong Auditorium, G/F, HK Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building</p> <p>Time: 9:00 am – 6:30 pm</p> <p>Organizers: Hong Kong College of Paediatricians, Guangdong Paediatric Society, Wyeth (HK) Ltd./Wyeth (China)</p> <p>Enquiry: Ms. Anciently Chan, Tel: 25998996; Mrs. Christine Leung, Tel: 28718871</p>

31 July (Sat)	Topic: Update Series on Child Health 2004 - Session II 1. Approach to Paediatric Trauma Care 2. Approach to Psychiatric Evaluation
	Venue: Ballroom, 3/F, Sheraton HK Hotel
	Time: 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm
	Speakers: 1. Dr Tsoi Nai Shun 2. Dr Luk Siu Luen
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August 2004	
25 August (Wed)	Topic: 1. Addiction in Children and Adolescent 2. Sex and Sexual Identity Problems in Adolescent
	Venue: Room 02.041, 2/F, Main Block, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital
	Time: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm
	Speaker: Dr Tsang Fan Kwong
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