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# **Message from the Editors**

The **Annual General Meeting** of the College was held on Saturday, 11 December 2004. It was well attended by fellows and members and we had a very enjoyable evening. This is going to be the last issue of the college newsletter before the New Year and on behalf of the House Committee, we wish everyone a lovely X'mas and a fruitful New Year.

## Fellowship Conferment Ceremony, HKCPaed Address by the President, Professor TF Fok

Dear Dr Leong, Dr Chow, Dr Ho, Dr Lam, Dr Kwok, Presidents and representatives from our sister colleges, Honoured Guests, Fellows and Members of the College, Our new graduates, ladies and gentlemen.

First I would like to welcome all of you to the Fellowship Conferment Ceremony of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians. We are very honoured by the presence of so many distinguished guests and the presidents and representatives of our sister colleges. Thank you for gracing us with your presence.

I feel particularly honoured and privileged to have Dr CH Leong with us here today. Dr Leong will address us in a short moment, and this will be his last speech given to a College in his capacity as the President of the Academy. While our college is very fortunate to be able to pay host to you, Dr Leong, on this most memorable occasion, we are saddened by the thought that you will relinquish your presidency in a weeks' time. I do not have to tell you, ladies and gentlemen, how the Academy has moved forward in big strides under the leadership of Dr Leong in the last four years, as the evidence is too ample to be missed. I do not have any doubt, Dr Leong, that your successor Professor Grace Tang will have the ability and vision to follow your footpath in bringing the Academy forward, but we will miss you and your leadership in guiding us through the council meetings and other activities of the Academy. In his parting speech given to the US Congress, General Douglas MacArthur once said, "old soldiers never die, they only fade away". It is however hard for us to even imagine you fading away after so many years of colourful and exciting public service. To many of us, you have been a most enlightening though sometimes intimidating teacher. To the people of Hong Kong, you have been an effective legislator, and one with the rare quality of integrity. To all of us here, you have been an able Hospital Authority Chairman who would not shrink from responsibilities, and of course a visionary Academy President. We look forward to your continued leadership in whatever capacity you choose to take on in the many more years to come.

To our graduates, today no doubt is a very important day for you, and I consider it my personal honour and privilege to preside over today's occasion and confer to you the much treasured College Fellowship. After today, you will be qualified to be specialist Paediatricians. This is a title bestowed on you in recognition of your hard work throughout the long years of your training. With this title, however, you will be bound by the duties and responsibilities as Paediatricians for your whole career.

In preparation for this speech, I have tried to look up the definition of Paediatrician, and the following descriptions I found in the internet are the ones that suit us most:

"Paediatricians are the only medical practitioners who provide holistic care to patients ranging from newborns to young adults, and ranging from a few hundred grams to over 100 kg in body size."

"Paediatricians are people who care for children and families, including the problems they face in society."

"Paediatricians work with others in their communities to better the welfare of children."

"Paediatricians work with public policy makers to advocate for children and their families."

Thus as a Paediatrician, your primary responsibility is to be a healer for sick children and adolescents, and to be a child advocate. You should always keep your eyes open and your mind open so that you can look and think much further beyond the confine of your hospitals or clinics. In addition to healing the sick, you should be advocates of children and their families. The world is full of irony and this is true also about the way children are being treated. In good times, children are often praised as the most valuable asset and future pillars of society. Yet when resources become scarce and there are competing demands, children are often the most helpless, most defenseless, and the most vulnerable members of society because they do not have any political power, and most of the needy ones do not have influential parents. As Paediatricians we must stand firm in fighting for the welfare of children, safeguarding their interest and not letting them fall victim to any social injustice. Dear Graduates, the fellowship that is being conferred to you today is a testament of your ability in taking up this task. What remains is whether or not you also have the will power to do so. I wish fervently and believe you do. On this note I would like to congratulate you once again for your achievements. Thank you.

# 13<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting was held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2004 at the Lim Por Yen Lecture Theatre of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. The minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> AGM and the Annual Report of the College were received and adopted. Copies of the Annual Report will be sent to those Fellows, Members and Associates who did not attend the AGM.

Following a postal ballot, Drs. Chan Chok Wan, Chan Kwok Hing Alex, and Leung Ping Maurice were re-elected as Council Members for another term of three years from 2004 to 2007. Mr Peter Mark and Mr Walter Ma were re-appointed as the College's honorary legal advisor and honorary auditor respectively.

The annual subscription fees for Fellows, Members and Associates will remain as \$1500, \$1000 and \$500 respectively. Amendments to the College's Bye-Laws concerning the composition and terms of reference of Standing Committees were also announced.

At the Fellows Admission Ceremony that followed, the following colleagues were admitted as new Fellows, our special congratulations to all of them:

Dr. Chan Cheong Wai Dr. Chan Kwok Lap Dr. Chan Siu Yu Dr. Choi Mui Sum Dr. Chong Wan Yip Dr. Chow Wing Cheong Dr. Fong Kwok Wah Dr. Fung Cheuk Wing Dr. Fung Po Gee, Genevieve Dr. Ho Mo Ching, Linda Dr. Ho Shing Fai Dr. Lee Tat Nin Dr. Li Ka Wah Dr. Liu Ka Yee, Stephenie Dr. Ng Cheuk Dr. Poon Wing Kit, Grace Dr. Sit Sou Chi Dr. Tay Ming Kut Dr. Wong Chi On, Simon Dr. Wu Shui Ping Dr. Yau Kin Cheong, Eric

## **Announcement from CME Subcommittee**

#### Call for submission of CME Annual Return Forms before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2005

As announced by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, there will be synchronization of CME cycles so that the previous CME cycles of all Fellows will end at December 2004. All Fellows are reminded to submit the following to the College before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2005:

1. Their completed Annual Return Forms (for Fellows whose cycles end in December, it should cover the period January to December 2004; for Fellows whose cycles end in June, it should cover the period July 2003 to December 2004);

2. Copies of Attendance Certificates of Overseas Meetings attended;

3. Copies of their Log Book entries of CME activities for the year (for Categories A, B, C, and D).

These documents can be sent by mail to the following address: Dr Wong Sik Nin Honorary Secretary Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Room 808, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Building 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road Aberdeen, Hong Kong Fax: (852) 2785 1850 Tel: (852) 2871 8871 Please note that the College Secretariat will fax you a notice of receipt after receiving your submission. If you do not get the notice within a week, your forms might not have reached the College Secretariat safely and you are advised to call and check the status of your submission.

For your convenience, extra copies of Annual Return Forms and sections of log book for Category A, B, C and D activities can be downloaded from the College homepage, CME section.

## **Announcement from Education Subcommittee**

#### **Revised CME/CPD Guidelines, Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**

The Guidelines for Continuing Medical Education (CME) of our College have recently been revised in accordance with the recommendations of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine to widen the scope of continuing education to include Continuous Professional Development (CPD). The revised CME/CPD Guidelines of our College has been finalized after a period of consultation involving our Fellows in November 2004. The Guidelines have now been approved by the Education Committee of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and will be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 for all new and existing Fellows. The reasons for the changes and the synchronization of the commencement of a new 3-year CME/CPD cycle (1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2007) to begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 for all Fellows have already been announced to all our Fellows. The new Guidelines for Continuous Medical Education and Continuous Professional Development (CME/CPD) can be viewed on the College website.

A brief outline of the major revisions is as follows:

- 1) In addition to Categories A to D, another Category E is created for other CME/CPD activities. The minimum of 30 Category A points per cycle remained unchanged.
- 2) The system of registration and acquisition of CME points are revised to enable real-time capture of all Fellows' CME points by the MLMS database (Section V).
- 3) A provision for Category B activities in overseas institutes is added (Section III, B.3).
- 4) A provision for web-based learning opportunities is included in self-study programs (Section III, D.3).
- 5) The scope of Category A have been widened to include paediatric related courses, diplomas, taught master degrees and Master and Doctorate degrees by research.
- 6) Many educational activities have been introduced and included under Category E CME/CPD activities. Prospective application for approval of Category E activities is required. A maximum of 10 CME/CPD points will be allowed in this category per year.
- 7) The Sections on non-compliance to CME requirements and exemptions are included (Sections VII and VIII).
- 8) Fellows failing to submit CME/CPD return on time will be regarded as CME/CPD non-compliant. Subsequent request to review late submissions will be subjected to an administrative fee of HK\$500 for the issue of the first reminder. The amount will be doubled if a second reminder is needed if the Fellow fails to submit the CME/CPD annual return for three months after the first notification.
- 9) The list of journals approved for self-study under Category D has been extensively expanded.

## **Examination Committee**

Congratulations to the following 13 candidates who passed the MRCPCH Clinical Examination in November 2004:

Dr Chan Pui Suen, Pissy Grace Dr Chan Sin Hang, June Dr Cheng Ling Ling Dr Koo Sergio Don Dr Lau Yu Dr Leung Wing Kwan Dr Ma Yee Man Dr Soo Man Ting Dr Tang Miu Sze Dr Tang Sau Shek, Oliver Dr Wan Hoi Shan Dr Wong Suet Na Dr Yip Mung Sze, Cynthia

#### **Dates of Examination in 2005**

MRCPCH Part IA & IB Examination:
11 January 2005
10 May 2005
6 September 2005

(2) MRCPCH Part II Examination:20 April 200523 August 200513 December 2005

(3) MRCPCH Clinical Examination:28 February – 1 March 200531 October – 1 November 2005

(4) DCH Clinical Examination:2-3 November 2005

(5) Exit Assessment:14 June 200515 December 2005

#### **Revised Guidelines on Exit Assessment**

With effect from 1 December 2007 and thereafter, ALL higher trainees sitting for the Exit Assessment should adhere to the Revised Guidelines on Exit Assessment (dated October 2004). During the interim period between 1 December 2004 to 30 November 2007, higher trainees can adhere to EITHER the current guidelines OR the revised guidelines. Please take note that the major amendments in the revised guidelines are on Section A (1) on "Dissertations" and the

corresponding Section C (4) on the marking of dissertations. The revised Guidelines are also posted on our College webpage (<u>www.paediatrician.org.hk</u>) for reference.

## **Members' Benefits – Discount for Petroleum**

The College has made arrangements with Ming Xing Investment Company Limited, the agent of "Caltex Oil Hong Kong Limited" to offer a discount for the purchase of petroleum to members and staff of the College. Ming Xing Investment Company Limited will issue "Caltex StarCard" to first time applicants or inactive StarCard holders for a period of not less than 6 months from the date of application (Those "Vehicle Registration Numbers" submitted for application, which have been registered with Caltex for the StarCard and have transaction within 6 months, are not eligible for application). The Caltex StarCard is a charge card issued by Caltex with accessible services from Ming Xing Investment Company Limited. It can be used to purchase gasoline and diesel from any Caltex petroleum stations. Every litre purchased will be offered to a special discount of HK\$1.00 off gas station retail listed price.

All Fellows, Members and Associates are eligible to enjoy the benefits subject to the above-mentioned rules. They should apply directly to Ming Xing Investment Company Limited" using the Application Form at Appendix I and Direct Debit Form at Appendix II. Members are advised to study the details of the arrangement at our College Website under the Members' Section.

## **Discount on Books**

Just a reminder that **McBarron Book Company** agrees on providing discount to our members and fellows on book purchase. Normally doctors would enjoy a 10% discount, college members or fellows would get an extra 2.5% off the original price. Depending on the number of books purchased, further discount may be possible. Individuals need to identify your status under HKCPaed by providing his / her name and membership / fellowship number for future verification. If you are interested in a particular book(s), please contact Ms Alice Lee from McBarron Book Company, Tel no. 27823210/90348662.

# **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*.

December 2004		7				
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Topic:	Education Programme for Management of Disabled				
(Thu)	-	Children				
	Venue:	Room 01, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern				
		Hospital				
	Time:	4:30 pm – 5:30 pm				
	Speakers:	Dr Chan Cheong Wai				
	Organizer:	Comprehensive Paediatric Rehabilitation Centre, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital				
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1 pts	Enquiry:	Ms Suki Tsang, Tel: 25956860				
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11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Topic:	Medical Teleconference Programme – Topics in Neonatology				
(Tue)	Venue:	Lecture Theatre, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole				
		Eastern Hospital				
	Time:	7:30 am – 9:30 am				
	Organizer:	Department of Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, Pamela Youde				
CME Cat. A		Nethersole Eastern Hospital				
2 pts	Enquiry:	Ms Suki Tsang, Tel: 25956860				
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22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Topic:	Practical management of Obesity in Children & Adolescents				
(Sat)	Venue:	Pearl Room, Eaton Hotel, 2/F, Kowloon				
	Time:	2:00 pm – 4:30 pm				
	Speakers:	Prof Kaichi Kida, Ms Lorena Cheung, Mrs Sumee Ng, Dr Alison MacManus				
CME Cat. A	Organizer:	HK Society of Paediatric Endocrinology & Metabolism				
3 pts	Enquiry:	Dr Lee Ching Yin, Tel: 34087781				
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7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Topic:	Medical and surgical management of short bowel syndrome				
(Mon)	T	(including nutritional, surgical and transplant approaches)				
	Venue:	Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, Block F, United Christian				
		Hospital				
	Time:	3:15 pm – 4:15 pm				
	Speaker:	Prof. BU, K. Li				
	Organizer;	Department of Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, United				
CME Cat. A		Christian Hospital				
1 pt	Enquiry:	Dr Chan Hin Biu, Tel: 35134367				

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