



# Hong Kong College of Paediatricians NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the President

I wish to offer my sincere congratulations to the 12 Members, who have recently passed the Exit Assessments. Now that they have completed their training and passed the exit assessment, they will be eligible for the Fellowship of the College. Currently our Fellowship number stands at 412. We are the third largest college in the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine. I expect all our Fellows, as trained paediatricians, are committed to promote and provide a high standard of medical and health care to the children of our community.

Hitherto our training programme has been largely hospital based. The Education and the Accreditation Committees are currently reviewing the contents of training, so as incorporate more community-based elements into the curriculum. Your Council holds the view that all paediatricians should undergo **training in child health and primary care in paediatrics**. We would like to welcome your views and suggestions on the training programme.

In connection with the revision of the training programme, the Council has dedicated this year's Scientific Meeting, which serves to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our College with the theme of '**Primary Health Care in Paediatrics**'. On the first day of the meeting, presidents of our sister paediatric colleges and associations will share with us their experiences in health care for children in the Mainland, Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, the UK and the USA. On the second day, we have invited representatives of our local paediatric subspecialty societies to participate in a symposium entitled 'Paediatric subspecialty interfacing with primary health care'. In addition, we shall have a free paper session for our members with prizes for the best two oral presentations. I hope this rich programme will attract you to the meeting on **8th and 9th December 2001**.

Other activities of the 10th Anniversary will include an **Anniversary Dinner** on 8th December 2001 and the launching of a **commemorative publication**. As we need commemorative photographs for this publication, could you send some of your collection to the College if you are in possession of them? Let

us celebrate our 10th Anniversary together. I look forward to seeing you on 8th and 9th December.

To those who are taking a break in the summer I wish you a pleasant holiday.

## Congratulations

Our heartiest congratulations to the following Members who passed the Exit Assessment held on 15th June 2001:

Dr CHU Wai-po, TMH  
Dr KONG Chun-tat, PMH  
Dr KWOK Shuk-kam, PYNEH  
Dr LAU Ka-fai, TMH  
Dr LEUNG Cheuk-wa, UCH  
Dr LI Albert Martin, PWH  
Dr LUK Chi-kong, UCH  
Dr MOK Kwok-wing, PMH  
Dr SIN Ngai-chuen, PWH  
Dr TSE Yin-chu, QMH  
Dr WOO Lap-fai, PYNEH  
Dr YEUNG Man-chow, TMH

## From the IT Committee

**College Web site - New Domain Name:**  
**[www.paediatrician.org.hk](http://www.paediatrician.org.hk)**

The College is now using the new domain name that is both easy to remember and meaningful: [www.paediatrician.org.hk](http://www.paediatrician.org.hk). Please bookmark this URL address in your computer. When you use this address to browse our homepage, you will then be redirected to the College web site that is hosted under the auspice of the Hong Kong Federation of Medical Societies.

## College Web Site Enhancements

Many Fellows reflected that they had difficulties in compiling their CME Annual Return Forms as some data might have not been timely recorded. To facilitate our Fellows, Category A activities held or approved for CME in the past 18 months has been archived under the section of "Continuing Medical Education".

The "Useful Links" has been greatly revised. One can use these well-tested sites to link up with many local and international, government and public, medical and paramedical sites. From this section, one can also get linked to many academic and journal sites. If you have good sites related to child health that you would like to share with other fellows, you may send your suggestions to our College secretaries.

General and clinical guidelines have been continually added and updated. In addition, position papers on various subjects have been posted for reference too.

We have devised an "email to form" feature in the web page. We wish to use this facility for registration of Car park reservation for Paediatric Update series, for submitting annual CME point return forms, and for sending CME question returns in CME programmes.

### **"Tell us your email"**

More and more members are using emails for communication. You may send us your updated email address by using the "Tell us your email" button at our College homepage.

## **From the Education Committee**

### **Paediatric Update No. 4**

Paediatric Update No. 4 will be held on Sunday, 2nd September 2001 at 2-5 p.m. at Hospital Authority Head Office Lecture Theatre. The theme is "**Parenting: Promoting Parent-Child Well-being**". Parking spaces are available on first-come-first-served basis upon application to College Secretariat by fax or email.

### **College Lecture**

A Dinner Lecture entitled "**The Young Child with Mild Asthma: Do we know who to treat and how to treat**" will be held on Thursday, 11th October. The speaker will be Prof Allan Becker, Chairman of Section of Allergy & Clinical Immunology, Department of Pediatrics & Child Health, University of Manitoba, Canada, and President of Canadian Society of Allergy & Clinical Immunology. Details of the programme will be available soon.

### **The 10th Anniversary Scientific Meeting of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians (8 - 9 December 2001)**

The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians is celebrating its 10th Anniversary this year. The College will host the 10th Anniversary Scientific Meeting on 8-9 December 2001. The theme of the meeting is '**Primary Health Care in Paediatrics**'. In addition to lectures by international and local experts,

there will be a free paper session with oral presentations. Prizes will be awarded to the best papers. Support your College, participate in the meeting and submit abstracts to this great event. The deadline for abstract submission is 20th October 2001. The details of the programme and abstract form are attached as Appendix in this Newsletter and available at the College web site: [www.paediatrician.org.hk](http://www.paediatrician.org.hk)

### **2001 Postgraduate Paediatric Course**

The lecture portion in the Postgraduate Paediatric Course (excluding Bedside Teaching Sessions) is now open to interested registered trainees of the College upon nomination by their Chiefs of Service. Attendance will be limited to the lectures only, as only registered course members for the complete course will be admitted to the bedside teaching sessions. A pro-rata fee out of the full fee of \$1000 for the lecture programme will be charged by the College according to the number of sessions remaining in the programme at the time of joining. The course programme is attached. Interested trainees can contact Dr WH Lee, Secretary of the Education Committee (Tel. 29586741).

### **From the CME Subcommittee**

Fellows who completed their CME cycle year on 30th June each year, are reminded to submit their Annual Return Forms (together with photocopies of their log-books and attendance certificates) as soon as possible to the Secretary of the College. This is especially important for Fellows who completed their 3-year cycle this year. Delay in submission may result in suspension of Academy Fellowship due to non-compliance of CME requirement.

## **Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Course**

Again the course is over-subscribed and some applicants have to be turned away. The instructor course will be held on 29th August and the Provider Course I and II will be held on 30-31 August and 1-2 September 2001 respectively.

## **From the Membership Committee**

### **Timely Application of Associateship and Membership – Further Reminder**

The College has a rule that all basic trainees should join as Associates of the College within six months of commencement of their basic training programme and Associates who are qualified should join as Members also within six months they are qualified. For applications submitted beyond the grace period, recognition of training (basic / higher) will start only on the date of submission of the applications rather

than the date the applicants qualify.

Recently there were three late applications for Membership. These applicants had completed their basic training and passed the Intermediate Examination (MRCP). For various reasons, they did not apply for Membership within the grace period of six months. After thorough discussion in the College Council, the decision was to admit them as Members, but higher training of these applicants could only be recognized to start from the date of submission of their applications.

This means, unfortunately, that these members would have to sit for Exit Assessment and become Fellows at a later date. May I, therefore remind all Associates again to take note of this rule and all training supervisors again to alert their staff.

### **Overseas Fellowship – Application Procedure Simplified**

The Academy now only requires applications for Overseas Fellowship to submit a written declaration of overseas residence. No other documents are required. The College has decided to follow this rule.

## **From the Examination Committee**

### **Exit Assessment**

Fourteen candidates attended the Exit Assessment held in June 2001 and 12 of them passed. A revised marking scheme was adopted with more emphasis on clinical competence. The next Exit Assessment would be held in December 2001 and the deadline for application is 30th September 2001.

### **Joint Intermediate Examination / MRCP / MRCPCH**

The MRCPCH Part I Examination will be held on 25th September 2001. As from this time onwards, the Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health will take over all the responsibilities and administration of the Examination from the Royal College of Physicians, and MRCP (UK) Part I Paediatric Option will no longer be offered. The Written Section of Part II has been held in July 2001, and the Clinical Section will be held on 15th and 16th October 2001 at Queen Mary Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospital. This is the first time when the Written Examination is de-linked from the Clinical Examination.

### **DCH**

The first Joint DCH (International) and DCH (Hong Kong) Examination will be conducted in Hong Kong. The Written Examination will be held on 6th

September 2001 at the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and the Clinical Examination on 17th and 18th October 2001 at Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital and United Christian Hospital. There are many applicants.

## **From the College Foundation**

*We still need medical advisors!*

Many of you have responded to our plea in the last 2 issues of the Newsletter. We have been making matches with the Social Welfare Agencies. We particularly need Fellows from districts like Tsuen Wan, Kwai Chung, Fanling, Shatin and Kowloon central. Would fellows practicing in these areas come forward to help? Also we are in the process of setting up similar arrangements with schools. We shall start on Hong Kong Island first and we need Fellows to be advisors to primary schools in the Central and Western District. Please if you are interested, let us have your response!

## **Photographs for the 10th Anniversary Monograph**

Kindly search through your drawers to see if you can supply us with photographs to be included in the 10th Anniversary Monograph. Please mark your name at the back of the photos and send them to Christine at the College Chamber before 15th August 2001 for her further action and safe custody. The photos shall be returned to you after use.

## **HM Lui Memorial Fund**

The College has received three million Hong Kong dollars from the Providence Foundation, a charitable foundation set up by the late philanthropist, Mr HM Lui for the establishment of "The HM Lui Memorial Fund". The object of the Fund is to promote postgraduate study and research in liver diseases and related disciplines in children.

A Board of Trustees has been formed to administer the Fund. The trustees are:

- Prof NK Leung, College President (Chairman)
- Dr WK Ko, College Hon Treasurer
- Prof YL Lau, Head, Department of Paediatrics, University of Hong Kong
- Prof FT Fok, Head, Department of Paediatrics, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Dr Arthur Lui, representative of the Providence Foundation

Announcement of the HM Lui Training Fellowships and Visiting Professorship will be made in the coming months.

The College wishes to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the Providence Foundation for the generous donation.

## Self-learning CD-Rom

To promote family and child welfare services and to encourage families to seek early assistance when facing family problems, the Social Welfare Department has sent us 2 self-learning CD-Rom. If you want a copy, please contact Miss Wendy Lee of the Family and Child Welfare Branch of Social Welfare Department at 28925186.

## CME Category A Activities

<b>August 2001</b>	
8th Wednesday  CME Cat A 2 pts	<b>Topic: 1. Antenatal diagnosed hydronephrosis – local experience and review of literature</b> <b>2. Case Discussion</b> <b>Venue:</b> Multifunction Room, G/F, Blk D, Queen Elizabeth Hospital <b>Time:</b> 6pm – 7:30pm <b>Speakers:</b> Dr Lettie Leung, Dr Lee Kwok Piu <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong Paediatric Nephrology Society <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr WM Lai, Tel: 2990 3757

Group A: 13th – 14th Group B: 15th – 16th  CME Cat A 6 pts per day,	<b>Topic: Critical Appraisal Skills Workshop on Paediatrics</b> <b>Venue:</b> Function Room, 2/F, Hospital Authority Building <b>Time:</b> 9am – 5pm <b>Speaker:</b> Dr Godfrey Stuart Logan <b>Organizer:</b> Hospital Authority <b>Enquiry:</b> Miss Christina Wu, Fax: 2194 6873
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14th Tuesday  CME Cat A 2 pts	<b>Topic: Medical Teleconference Programme- Topics in Neonatology</b> <b>Venue:</b> Lecture Theatre, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital <b>Time:</b> 7:30am – 8:30am Breakfast 8:00am - 9:30am Case Presentation: Two cases of huge abdominal mass in newborn <b>Discussants:</b> Professor Paul Tam, Dr Lawrence Lan, Dr Lee Shing Yan, Dr Fung Po Gee, Dr Ho Hing Tung, Dr Chen Hong and experts from Hong Kong and Stanford University <b>Moderators:</b> Dr Betty Young, Dr Louis Halamek <b>Enquiry:</b> Ms Erica Chung, Tel: 2595 6410, Fax: 29045371
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<b>Aug - Sept 2001</b>	
29th - 2nd (Wed – Sun)  CME Cat A 12 pts for each Provider Course	<b>Topic:</b> Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course (PALS) (1) PALS Instructor Course (29th Aug) (2) PALS Provider Course I (30th – 31st Aug) (3) PALS Provider Course II (1st – 2nd Sep) <b>Venue:</b> 2/F, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building: - Instructor Course: Function Room - Provider Course I & II: James Kung Meeting Room <b>Time:</b> 29th Aug (Instructor Course): 8am – 12 noon 30th – 31st Aug (Provider Course I): 8am – 4:45pm 1st – 2nd Sep (Provider Course II): 8am – 4:15pm <b>Speakers:</b> Dr D Jaimovich, Dr A Hu Young, Dr KL Cheung, Dr MP Leung, Dr Alfred YC Tam, Dr NS Tsoi, Dr Robert KN Yuen <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong College of Paediatricians (Professional & General Affairs Committee), The Heart Institute For Children, Hope Children's Hospital Illinois, USA <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr Robert KN Yuen, Tel: 2781 5055, Fax: 2781 5261,

<b>September 2001</b>	
2nd Sunday  CME Cat A 3 pts	<b>Topic: 2001 Paediatric Update No.4: Parenting</b> <b>Venue:</b> Lecture Theatre, M Floor, Hospital Authority Head Office Building <b>Time:</b> 2pm – 5pm <b>Speakers:</b> Ms B Chan (Challenges to Parenting: the Local Scene) Dr S Tsang (Models & Programs in Parent Education: Theory & Practice) Mr J Lau (Need for Early Identification & Intervention: Paediatrician's Role) <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong College of Paediatricians <b>Coordinator:</b> Dr Shirley Leung <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr WH Lee/Ms Elena Tsai, Tel: 2958 6741
3rd Monday  CME Cat A 1 pt	<b>Topic: Recent Advancements in the Diagnosis and Prevention of Neonatal Sepsis</b> <b>Venue:</b> Ballroom, Sheraton Hotel, Tsimshatsui <b>Time:</b> 7pm – 8pm <b>Speaker:</b> Professor Richard Polin <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong Society of Neonatal Medicine <b>Enquiry:</b> Wyeth (HK) Ltd, Tel: 2599 8888
18th Tuesday  CME Cat A 2 pts	<b>Topic: Consequences for Nutritional Intervention</b> <b>Venue:</b> A Ground Lecture Theatre, Queen Elizabeth Hospital <b>Time:</b> 7:30pm – 9pm <b>Speaker:</b> Professor Hans Buller/Professor Heymans <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr Leung Ying Kit, Tel: 2771 0698
<b>October 2001</b>	
9th Tuesday  CME Cat A 2 pts	<b>Topic: Medical Teleconference Programme- Topics in Neonatology</b> <b>Venue:</b> Lecture Theatre, Multicentre Block B, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital <b>Time:</b> 7:30am – 8:30am Breakfast 8:00am – 9:30am Case Presentation <b>Discussants:</b> Experts from Hong Kong and Stanford University <b>Moderators:</b> Dr Betty Young, Dr Louis Halamek <b>Enquiry:</b> Ms Erica Chung, Tel: 25956410, Fax: 29045371
11th Thursday  CME Cat A 1 pt	<b>Topic: The Young Child with Mild Asthma – Do we know who to treat and how to treat?</b> <b>Venue:</b> Sung Room, Sheraton Hotel, Tsimshatsui <b>Time:</b> Lecture: 7:30pm – 8:30pm Dinner: 8:30pm – 10:30pm <b>Speaker:</b> Professor Allan Becker <b>Organizer:</b> Hong Kong College of Paediatricians <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr WH Lee/Ms Bonnie Chum, Tel: 29586741
15th Monday  CME Cat A 1 pt	<b>Topic: Nystagmus - who to investigate?</b> <b>Venue:</b> Great Eagle Hotel, Tsimshatsui <b>Time:</b> 8:00pm – 9:00pm <b>Speaker:</b> Professor P Savino <b>Organizer:</b> The Hong Kong Society of Child Neurology & Developmental Paediatrics <b>Enquiry:</b> Dr Lau Wai Hung, Tel : 23771228

27th – 28th (Sat – Sun)	Topic: <b>Infectious Diseases for 2001 (27th Oct)</b> <b>Ambulatory Medicine for 2001 (28th Oct)</b>
	Venue: Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building
	Time: 9:00am – 6:00pm (27th Oct) 9:30am – 9:00pm (28th Oct)
CME Cat A 1 pt	Organizer: Hong Kong Colleges of Paediatricians, Physicians, Family Physicians and Pathologists

<b>November 2001</b>	
3rd Saturday	Topics: <b>Cholestatic Jaundice in Infancy-the Current View</b> <b>Constipation in Children</b> <b>Nutritional Support in the Sick Neonate</b> <b>Development of Pediatric Gastroenterology in China</b> <b>Hepatitis B Infection in Children</b> <b>Antibiotic Associated Diarrhoea</b> <b>Low Fat Diet Management</b>
	Venue: Lecture Theatre, Hospital Authority Head Office
	Time: 2:30pm – 7:00pm
	Speakers: Professor Chang Mei-hwei, Eberhard Schmidt-Sommerfeld, Dr Duna Penn, Dr Tse Kong, Dr David Luk, Ms Peggy Wong
	Organizer: Hong Kong Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition
CME Cat. A 3 pts	Enquiry: Dr Leung Ying Kit, Tel : 27710698



## **10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scientific Meeting**

**HK Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building  
8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2001**

***Theme : Primary Health Care in Paediatrics***

**8<sup>th</sup> December, 2001 (Saturday)**

<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>Symposium on Primary Health Care in Paediatrics</b>
In China	Professor WU Xiru, President of Chinese Pediatric Society
In Taiwan	Professor YEH Tsu-Fuh, President of Chinese Taipei Pediatric Association
In Hong Kong	Dr CHOW Chun-Bong, Representative of Hong Kong College of Paediatricians, HKSAR
In Malaysia	Professor BOO Nem-Yun, President, College of Paediatrics, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia
In Singapore	Dr HO Lai-Yun, Chairman, Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
In the UK	Professor David HALL, President of Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, UK
In the USA	Dr Calvin SIA, Representative of American Academy of Pediatrics, USA

**6:15 pm Annual General Meeting**  
**6:45 pm Admission of Honorary Fellow and New Fellows**  
**7:30 pm Anniversary Dinner**

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**9<sup>th</sup> December, 2001 (Sunday)**

**10 am Free Paper Session**

**2:15pm Symposium on "Paediatric Subspecialty interfacing with Primary Health Care" - in collaboration with local Subspecialty Societies**

**HK Paediatric Haematology & Oncology Study Group**  
**HK Paediatric Nephrology Society**  
**HK Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology & Nutrition**  
**HK Society of Paediatric Respiriology**  
**The HK Society of Child Neurology and Developmental Paediatrics**  
**The HK Society of Neonatal Medicine**  
**The HK Society of Paediatric Endocrinology & Metabolism**



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18<sup>th</sup> July, 2001

Dear Colleagues,

**The 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scientific Meeting  
of The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Call for Abstracts**

The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. In addition to other exciting events, the College will be hosting the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scientific Meeting on **8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2001**. The theme of the meeting is '**Primary Health Care in Paediatrics**'. The meeting will be divided into three sessions:

1. **Session 1** (8/12/2001, afternoon):

*Theme: 'Primary Health Care in Paediatrics'*

Invited lectures by the Presidents or representatives of the Paediatric Colleges / Associations of the Mainland, Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, U.K., U.S.A. and Hong Kong.

2. **Session 2** (9/12/2001, morning):

Free paper session with oral presentation from local speakers on their current research.

3. **Session 3** (9/12/2001, afternoon):

*Theme: 'Paediatric Subspecialties Interface with Primary Health Care'*

Invited lectures by the representatives of the Hong Kong Paediatric Subspecialty Societies.

Fellows, members and trainees of the College are encouraged to submit papers to make this meeting a success. There will be prizes awarded for the best two oral presentations. If you would like to submit an abstract for the free paper session, please send it to: Dr. A. Li, Level 6, Clinical Sciences Building, Department of Paediatrics, Prince of Wales Hospital, Shatin, N.T. An abstract form is enclosed. The deadline for abstract submission is **20<sup>th</sup> October, 2001 (Saturday)**.

Please mark down the date of this important event in your diary. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Professor P.C. Ng  
Chairman, Scientific Committee