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Message from the Editors

Our annual event, the Annual General Meeting was just held earlier this month. We will have a detailed account on the AGM in this issue of the Newsletter. On behalf of the House Committee, we would like to wish everyone a joyful Christmas and Happy New Year.

23rd Annual General Meeting, Fellows Conferment Ceremony and Annual Dinner on 6 December, 2014

The 23rd Annual General Meeting was held successfully on 6 December, 2014 at Lim Por Yen Theatre of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. Dr Lee Wai Hong, Dr So Lok Yee, Dr Huen Kwai Fun, Dr Cheng Chun Fai and Dr Bill HB Chan were elected *ipso facto* to fill the five vacancies of Council Members for a term of three years (2014-2017). Mr. Chan Chi Hung was re-appointed as the College's Honorary Legal Advisor and Walter Ma & Co. Auditor respectively.

The 2015 subscription fees would remain the same as in 2014 as follows: HK\$1,800 for Fellows, HK\$900 for Overseas Fellows, HK\$1,200 for Members, HK\$600 for Overseas Members and HK\$600 for Associates. The subscription fee for paediatricians aged 65 or above before 1st Jan., 2015 would continue to be waived.

The Annual General Meeting was followed by the Admission Ceremony of the New Members and conferment of New Fellows.

The highlight of the day was certainly the Annual Dinner attended by about 120 members of the College and guests. We are indebted to Dr. Donald Li, President of the HK Academy of Medicine, Dr Hung Chi Tim, CCE (NTE) of the Hong Kong Hospital Authority, the Hon. Dr Leung Ka Lau, LegCo Member, the Presidents and representatives of Sister Colleges and statutory organizations, who showered grace to our days' events with their presence and blessings.

With the New Year ahead, we look optimistically to the future of our College as we make bold strides on together.

President's speech at the Fellowship Conferment Ceremony on 6th December 2014

Dr Donald Li; Dr Hung Chi Tim; Dr the Honorable Leung Ka Lau; Presidents and representatives of our sister Colleges; Fellows, Members, Associates; distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, good evening.

On behalf of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians, I welcome you all to the 23rd Fellowship Conferment Ceremony of our College.

I would like to congratulate our new members and Fellows who have passed the joint intermediate examination and exit examination. To our new Fellows, my heart-felt congratulations also extend to your family members who have given your love ones your relentless and unfailing support throughout this process. After fulfilling the 6-year paediatric training, you have demonstrated that you have the knowledge, skills and clinical competences in paediatrics and will soon be conferred the Fellowship of the College of Paediatricians. You will have the privilege to be listed in the specialist register of the Hong Kong Medical Council and practise as a “Specialist in Paediatrics”.

This is a major step in your professional life. From now on, there are no more formal training and examinations if you wish. For the future, you may decide to enter a subspecialty of your interest. If not, the only thing for you to do to stay in the specialist register is to fulfill your CMECPD requirements. However, whatever your choice, I would encourage you to continue to do several things:

First, to be a good clinician, you should develop a habit of lifelong learning, to keep yourself up to date with current medical knowledge and skills, and to enrich your clinical experience. You should always reflect on your daily practice, realize your successes and shortcomings, and strive to improve your practice.

Second, you should continue to refine your communication skills, with your patients, their parents, and with your colleagues. Communication is a skill that takes longer than your 6 years of Fellowship training to master. Yet it is so important since many misunderstandings and complaints from patients and many medical incidents arise from poor communication or lack of communication between the concerned parties.

Third, do take care of the junior colleagues of your team. Like your predecessors, you have a responsibility to transfer your knowledge and experience to your juniors. Although our paediatric training programme is becoming more structured with many mandatory modules and simulation training courses, the most effective training is in the workplace. We as trainers should act as a role model for our trainees to follow.

Fourth, you are encouraged to do clinical research and share your experience with your colleagues by publishing in the medical literature. This is essential for the medical profession to advance as a whole.

Above all, do keep up your professionalism. In a document on the “new medical professionalism” published by the Royal College of Physicians in 2005, the authors suggested that doctors should be committed to integrity, compassion, altruism, continuous improvement, excellence, and working in partnership with the wider healthcare team. But to put in a single sentence, always act in the best interest of your patient, and put it above those of your own or of your institution.

What has happened in Hong Kong in the past 3 months has reminded us that we should always stay connected with our younger generations. Last year, through the joint efforts of our young Fellows and with the blessing of the College Council, we have formed the Young Fellows Club. We hope that this can become not only a social network but also professional platform for our young colleagues to share their experience and concerns. Health care nowadays always involve teamwork. Good networking will certainly help our young colleagues in their daily practice and certainly in their professional development. Our College will help by sponsoring the activities of the Young Fellows Club, by providing you with advices and information on career or professional development and training in

research skills. Conversely College needs the Young Fellows to voice their opinion on important issues such as the training programme or the future paediatric service model.

Dear colleagues and new Fellows, the College was set up to work for you but it also needs your participation. In 10-20 years time, some of you will be running this College. Please start by joining the Young Fellows Club and get to know more about the activities of the College.

Once again, I congratulate our new Fellows for your success in completing your training, and I also thank our guests and colleagues for attending this meaningful conferment ceremony to witness and share their happiness. Thank you for your attention.

Commendation for Significant Contribution to Ethnic Minorities in China

In September 2014, Dr Vincent Leung was invited to attend 國務院第六次全國民族團結進步表彰大會 on behalf of the HK College of Paediatricians Foundation. This meeting was held every 5 years to commend organisations and individuals who have significant contribution to the welfare of ethnic minorities in China. Dr Leung received the award for individuals (全國民族團結進步模範個人) in recognition of his contributions to NRP training in remote areas of China for the past years.

Sincere congratulations to Dr Leung!

Membership Committee

Admission of Fellows at EGM

College has decided to hold an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) in the 2nd quarter of every year to facilitate the admission of new Fellows and promotion to Specialist after their passing of exit examination in December. The subscription fee of Member when promoted from Associate and Fellow when promoted from Member will soon be revised and the details will be uploaded to our College web.

Review of Application

The following doctors were approved to join the College as Associates.

1. AU Ka Nam
2. NGAI Noelle Anne
3. LEUNG Po Yiu
4. TONG Pui Yung, Grace
5. WONG Tsz Wai, Catherine
6. HUI Yan Wai, Felix
7. KUOK Chon In
8. NG Ka Wai Selina
9. LIU Ka Yee
10. YU Wai Ling
11. SHI Zhuo

The following doctors were recommended for elevation to Membership.

1. HO Yung Yung
2. CHAN Wing Ki
3. HO Tsz Wai
4. CHAN Wing Shan
5. LAM Jenks Albinus

Committee for Subspecialty Boards

The College would like to congratulate **Dr Fung Tsui Hang, Sharon** who was certified as First Fellow in the Subspecialty of Paediatric Neurology (PN) on 31 March 2014 and has received her subspecialty certificate at the Fellows Conferment Ceremony on 6 December 2014.

Examination Committee

Results of recent examinations

Date	Examination	Pass / No. of sittings	Pass rate
17 September 2014	MRCPCH Applied Knowledge in Practice Exam	9/10	90%
7 October 2014	MRCPCH Foundation of Practice, Theory and Science Exam		
	Foundation of Practice	12/28	43%
	Theory and Science	22/27	82%
28-29 October 2014	MRCPCH Clinical	6/14	43%
30 October 2014	DCH Clinical	9/9	100%

Sample papers for Computer-based Testing

All previously pencil and paper based MRCPCH examinations will be delivered via computer-based testing (CBT) from January 2015. Sample examination questions are available on the RCPCH website for candidates viewing. Candidates sitting for CBT exams are **strongly advised** to study these sample questions at this link (<http://www.rcpch.ac.uk/theoryexams/samplepapers>).

More information on the CBT exam is available at the link below:

<http://www.rcpch.ac.uk/training-examinations-professional-development/assessment-and-examinations/examinations/theory-exa-2>

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, including continuous courses, 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. The information below is abstracted from the College Web site on 12 Dec 2014. *Members and fellows are reminded to contact the enquiries listed below for last-minute alternations.*

Dec 2014		
13 Dec	Topic:	Family Cohesion-caring for the Young Generation
	Venue:	Duke of Windsor Social Service Bldg., 4/F. Lecture Hall
	Time:	14:15-15:30
	Speaker:	Dr. Hung Se-fong / Dr. Amos C. Y. Cheung

Cat. A 2 pts	Organizer:	The Federation of Medical Societies of HK
	Coordinator:	Ms. Eva Tsang
	Enquiry:	Tel: 28213514

15 Dec	Topic:	One-day Scientific Workshop on "Children & Adolescent Mental Disorders"
	Venue:	Cheng Yu Tung Bldg., CUHK
	Time:	9:00-16:00
	Speaker:	Prof. Mark Dadds / Dr. Hung Se Fong
Cat. A 6 pts	Organizer:	CUHK
	Coordinator:	Ms. Michelle Wat
	Enquiry:	Tel: 26076027

18 Dec	Topic:	Psychiatric Issue Related to Paediatric Dermatology
	Venue:	PYNEH
	Time:	18:00-20:00
	Speaker:	Various
Cat. A 2 pts	Organizer:	HK Paediatric and Adolescent Dermatology Society
	Coordinator:	Ms. Vivian Chow
	Enquiry:	Tel: 27885868

Jan 2015		
28 Jan	Topic:	RSV infection in Children
	Venue:	Sheraton Hotel, T.S.T.
	Time:	19:00-20:30
	Speaker:	Dr. Robert Tulloh / Dr. Daniel K. K. Ng
Cat. A 2 pts	Organizer:	HK Society of Paediatric Cardiology
	Coordinator:	Dr. Dora Wong
	Enquiry:	Tel: 35066656
