

In memory of Dr. David A Game



Dr. David A Game

Hon Secretary-Treasurer, WONCA, 1972-80
 President, RACGP, 1974-76
 President, WONCA, 1983-86
 Honorary Life Direct Fellow, WONCA, 1989
 Hon. Fellow, HKCFP, 1987

Dr. David Game, a good friend of the HKCFP, passed away in Australia, on 14 May 2015.

Dr. Game was instrumental in the establishment of the HK College of General Practitioners.

In 1975, when Dr. Game was the President of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners and in his capacity as Hon Secretary/Treasurer of WONCA, he visited HK at invitation of Dr. Peter Lee, the founding president of the HKCFP, to discuss the formation of a college in HK in line with international trends of the establishment of an academic organization with the aim of improving the education and status of general practitioners in HK.



Dr. David Game (middle) was the WONCA CEO from 1972 - 1980

Dr. Game together with Dr. Frank Farrar, Secretary General of RACGP and Dr. Robert Harbison, Director of Training of Family Medicine Programme visited the HK Medical Association in November 1975. The aim was to discuss how the HK College of General Practitioners would be established.



This visit led by Dr. Game resulted in the formation of the HK College of General Practitioners, later renamed the HK College of Family Physicians. Since then, Dr. Game paid visits to HK many times bringing with him the world trend of family medicine to local general practitioners. He saw the Inauguration Ceremony of the College at City Hall in 1979. He initiated a very close working relationship between the HK College of Family Physicians and the RACGP, which culminated in the establishment of the Conjoint HKCFP/RACGP Fellowship Examination in 1987. In honour of his contributions to the development of family medicine in HK, he was conferred Hon Fellow of the HKCFP in 1987.

Dr. Game was a very kind and respected family doctor. He had earned many awards and honours for preaching the concept of family medicine in the developing countries. I was most impressed by his unflinching effort to advise us on how to run a successful college of general practitioners and how to make general practice a recognised discipline in HK.

Dr. Game was an icon in family medicine, held in high esteem around the world for his lifelong contribution to family medicine. With the passing of Dr. Game, we lost a great adviser and a good friend.



Dr. David Game (right) at the WONCA Asia Pacific Regional Conference in 1987.

The HKCFP would like to convey our deepest condolences and sympathies to the family of Dr. David Game. May Dr. Game rest in peace and his spirits will remain in our hearts for ever.

Dr. Stephen Foo
 Censor, Past President, Hon Fellow
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