



**Professor Barbara Starfield
1932 - 2011**

The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians mourns the passing of Professor Barbara Starfield, in our mind, the greatest advocate, icon and leader of Family Medicine. It is indeed a great loss and we are all saddened by the news.

Barbara was the most respected teacher of Family Medicine and is well known in the region. She has relentlessly offered assistance to many developing regions as well as encouraged the advancement of Family Medicine in developed regions. The Primary Care Assessment Tool which is now being adapted to many different languages and interpretation in Asia Pacific is just one of the many initiatives of this monumental leader. She was a genuine, kind individual with all the characteristics of a caring and loving family doctor. She will always remain in our hearts. The best way to honor her is to carry on the advocacy of continuing to promote Family Medicine and to practice as a good family doctor.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Barbara's family and we send our heartfelt condolences.

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