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Congratulations to our Censor, **Dr. Li Kwok-tung, Donald, G.B.S., J.P.**, past President of the World Organisation of Family Doctors WONCA who received the award of **Gold Bauhinia Star** from the Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR this year in recognition of his longstanding public service and exemplary contributions to the development of primary healthcare service in Hong Kong.

Message from the President



Dr. David Chao delivering HKPCC welcome speech

July has been off to a great start with our Censor and past President of WONCA Dr. Donald Li being awarded the Gold Bauhinia Star by the Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR in recognition of his longstanding public service and exemplary contributions

to primary healthcare development in Hong Kong. Many Congratulations to Dr. Li!

The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians' 37th Fellowship Conferment and Diploma Presentation Ceremony, and the 34th Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration have been held on 7th July 2024 at the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Building. This year, I have the great honour again of welcoming the President of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners Dr. Nicole Higgins, who has travelled all the way from Queensland, Australia to join our Conjoint Fellowship Conferment Ceremony and Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration, and the Hong Kong Primary Care Conference (HKPCC) 2024.

The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians (HKCFP) and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) have been collaborating since



Ribbon cutting at Opening Ceremony of HKPCC 2024 (from left to right: Prof. Samuel Wong, Dr. Lam Ching-choi, Dr. Libby Lee, Dr. David Chao, Prof. Cindy Lam and Dr. Lorna Ng)

1986 on training, education and assessments of our Fellows and Members. Over the last two years, I am very grateful for the tremendous opportunities to discuss, share, and exchange ideas with Dr. Higgins on means to further enhance the roles of Family Medicine/general practice in our localities. On behalf of our the RACGP and HKCFP, Dr. Higgins and I have agreed on further strengthening the collaborations between our two Colleges, especially in enhancing the quality of Family Medicine education, training and assessment, and primary care research. We have signed a Joint Statement on 7th July 2024 to that effect. Once again, I would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Dr. Higgins and the RACGP for their collegiality and continuing support.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dr. David Chao (1st row, left hand side), Dr. Nicole Higgins (1st row, right hand side), together with College Council and VIP guests at the Joint Statement signing ceremony



Dr. David Chao (left) and Dr. Nicole Higgins (right) at HKCFP Conferment Ceremony 2024



HKCFP RACGP Joint Statement on Primary Care Development was signed on 7 July 2024



Dr. David Chao delivering welcoming speech at HKCFP Conferment Ceremony

We are honoured to have Dr. Christopher Hughes as our 34th Dr. Sun Yat Sen Orator delivering his Oration entitled “Universal Health Insurance: Born with the best of intentions but now facing a mid-life crisis”. Dr. Hughes is the Tasmanian State Censor of the RACGP and also a long term friend of our College. He has been helping us as one of the RACGP External Examiners in the Conjoint Fellowship Examinations as well as a member of the RACGP Accreditation Team. In recognition of his contributions and support towards our College’s accreditation, training and

examination, Dr. Hughes has been awarded honorary Fellowship of the HKCFP in 2024.

We are also grateful that Dr. Mark Miller, our honorary Fellow and 31st Dr. Sun Yat Sen Orator, who delivered his Oration online during COVID-19 in 2021, has come to join our Conferment Ceremony this year. And we took this opportunity to present him the Orator medallion too.

Once again, I would like to congratulate our new Conjoint Fellows, successful candidates of the Exit

Examination and Diplomates of Family Medicine for their great achievements as their hard work and dedications over the years have been duly recognised and their awards are truly well-deserved. We must also thank the family members who have provided support to all the successful candidates unconditionally.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the ongoing support by the Government in the further development of primary care services and training; WONCA and colleagues from around the globe for the friendship and promotion of Family Medicine; the Universities for Family Medicine education, research and development; and the Hospital Authority, the training centres in the private sector, the Academy of Medicine and sister Colleges for supporting our Family Medicine vocational training.

Over the years, the HKPCC has been an important annual scientific event for clinicians, nurses, and allied health professionals, to share their experiences and insights, on how we can further enhance the primary care service delivery and primary care research for the benefits of our patients in the community. The HKPCC 2024 which took place from 5th to 7th July 2024 was no exception as we were privileged to have many renowned local and international experts, family doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, and other primary care

providers to share their expertise and experiences with us. The theme of HKPCC was entitled, "Family Medicine in the Community: Strengthening Connections". The rich scientific programme has been packed with attractive plenaries, including hot topics on Social Medical Collaboration by Dr. Lam Ching-choi, Right Service at the Right Time to the Right Person by Prof. Cindy Lam, Community Mental Health by Prof. Samuel Wong and End of Life Care by Prof. Rodger Charlton. As in the previous years, there were full research paper competition, clinical case competition, e-posters on display, popular workshops on dermatology, family therapy, wound care, and primary care musculoskeletal ultrasound. The HKPCC 2024 has attracted delegates from local and overseas, many thanks again to all your active participation and support! Thanks also to the Organising Committee led by Dr. Lorna Ng and the College secretariat for their unfailing support.

A quick note to say that the WONCA APR Conference 2024 is to take place in Singapore from 21st to 24th August 2024. In addition, the RACGP GP Annual Conference GP24 is to be held from 21st to 23rd November, 2024 at Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Western Australia. Registration is now open. Please mark your diaries.

Dr. David V K CHAO
President



Platform guests on stage at HKCFP Conferment Ceremony 2024

The 37th Hong Kong College of Family Physicians Conferment Ceremony and the 34th Dr Sun Yat Sen Oration

Dr. Welchie Ko

Chairman, Internal Affairs Committee, HKCFP

The 37th Fellowship Conferment Ceremony of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians (HKCFP) and the 34th Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration was successfully held on 7 July 2024 (Sunday) at the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Building in Wong Chuk Hang.

As one of the most important events of the College, we were honoured by the presence of government officials, representatives from universities, sister colleges from overseas, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and local specialty colleges for their participation in celebrating the joyful success of our Conjoint Fellows and our successful candidates in Exit Examination and Diploma in Family Medicine (DFM) on this auspicious occasion.

The ceremony was declared officially opened by Our College President, Dr. David Chao, after the introduction of the Official Platform Party made by our Public Orator, Dr. Li Yim Chu. Dr. Nicole Higgins, President of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) also represented our Australian sister college to give a welcoming speech as well and to confer the new Fellows of RACGP.

This year, there were 30, 4 and 27 doctors conferred as HKCFP Fellows, RACGP Fellows and RACGP International Conjoint Fellows respectively; with 15 doctors awarded the Exit Examination Certificate. Congratulations and a warm welcome to all of them again for joining our family as fellows and specialists in Family Medicine. Moreover, we have 33 doctors awarded the Diploma in Family Medicine. Presentation of various awards in academic and research areas were followed. We also took this opportunity to present the Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration gold medallion to Dr. Mark Miller, the 31st Dr. Sun Yat Sen Orator, who had delivered the oration for us remotely in 2021 when international travelling was difficult because of travel restrictions during the COVID pandemic. The ceremony was concluded by Dr. Christopher Hughes, Censor of the Tasmania Faculty of The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, who delivered the inspiring 34th Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration titled "Universal Health Insurance: Born with the best of intentions but now facing a mid-life crisis".

All these would not have happened without the most efficient secretariat support led by Ms. Erica So, especially for the contributions from Ms. Teresa Liu, Ms. Windy Lau and Ms. Alky Yu and a tremendous helpers' team to ensure the smooth running of the occasion, including the Coordinator, Dr. Edmond Chan; the Marshalling Officers, Dr. Thomas Dao, Dr. Christina Cheuk, Dr. Matthew Lam and Dr. Raymond Yeung; the Ushers, Dr. Stephen Chou and Dr. Jenny Wang. We would like to thank all the new fellows, diplomates, awardees and college officials who stayed behind for the group photo taking session after the ceremony.

Dr. David Chao, President of HKCFP (right) with Dr. Nicole Higgins, President of RACGP (left)



Dr. David Chao, President of HKCFP (right) with Dr. Nicole Higgins, President of RACGP (left)



From left to right: Dr. Cecilia Fan, Dr. Angus Chan, Prof. Donald Li, Dr. Nicole Higgins, Dr. David Chao, Dr. Christopher Hughes, Dr. Mark Miller, Dr. Stephen Foo and Prof. Cindy Lam



Dr. Christopher Hughes (left) with Dr. Chan Hung Chiu (right)



From left to right: Dr. Ronald Lam, Dr. Libby Lee and Dr. David Lam



From left to right: Dr. Joan Fok, Dr. Lo Iek Long, Dr. David Chao and Dr. Cheung Hon Ming



Prof. Gilberto Leung (left) with Dr. Esther Yu (right)



Dr. Mark Miller (left) with Prof. Cindy Lam (right)



From left to right: Dr. Ruby Lee, Dr. Lau Ho Lim, Prof. Cindy Lam, Prof. Rosie Young and Dr. Simon Au



Dr. Emily Yeung (left) with Prof. Lau Chak Sing (right)



Dr. David Lam (left) with Dr. Angus Chan (middle) and Dr. Billy Chiu (right)



Platform, procession and VIP guests taking a group photo



From left to right: Dr. Maria Leung, Dr. Welchie Ko, Dr. Marcus Wong and Dr. Joan Fok



Dr. Stephen Foo (left) with Prof. Hung Chi Tim (right)



From left to right: Dr. Wong Yiu Chung, Dr. Chan Yiu Cheung, Dr. David Chao and Dr. Leung Tse Ngong



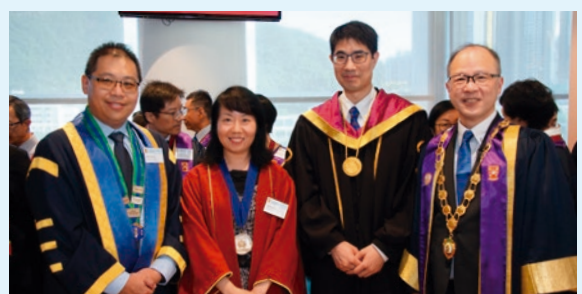
Dr. Ngai Chi Man (left) with Prof. Chu Kent Man (right)



Dr. Chan Kai Tai (left) with Dr. Nicole Higgins (middle) and Dr. Ngan Po Lun (right)



Prof. Leung Wai Keung (left) with Dr. Billy Chiu (right)



From left to right: Dr. Mak Siu Ming, Dr. Kwan Hoi Yee, Prof. Simon Lam and Dr. David Chao

PHOTO GALLERY



Diploma Presentation Ceremony 2024

From left to right: Prof. Samuel Wong, Dr. Christopher Hughes, Dr. Beth Miller and Dr. Leung Tse Ngong



Dr. Ruby Lee (left) with Dr. Cecilia Fan (right)



From left to right: Dr. Ken Ho, Dr. Matthew Luk and Dr. Esther Yu



Dr. Thomas Dao and Dr. Raymond Yeung (marshalling officers) leading the Officiating Procession into the hall



The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians
The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
The 37th Conjoint Fellowship Conferment
and
Diploma Presentation Ceremony 2024

Group photo of platform guests on stage



Dr. David Chao delivering the welcoming speech on behalf of HKCFP



Dr. Nicole Higgins addressing the congregation on behalf of RACGP



Dr. David Chao (right) presenting the Honorary Fellow certificate to Dr. Christopher Hughes (left)



Dr. Liu Ka Yee (left) receiving the Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee Best Candidate Award in Fellowship Examination 2023 from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. Woo Long Yiu (left) receiving the Dr. Peter C. Y. Lee Best Candidate Award in Fellowship Examination 2023 from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. Candy Luk (left) receiving the Outstanding Candidate Award in Exit Examination 2024 from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. Linda Chan (left) receiving the Best Research Award 2023 from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. Wong Man Ho (left) receiving the Best Trainee Research Award 2023 - 1st runner up from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. Chau Kei Wai (left) receiving the Research Fellowship Award 2024 from Dr. David Chao (right)



Dr. David Chao (right) presenting the Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration gold medallion to the 31st Dr. Sun Yat Sen orator, Dr. Mark Miller (left)



Dr. Christopher Hughes, delivering the 34th Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration



Dr. David Chao (right) presenting the Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration gold medallion to Dr. Christopher Hughes (left)



Dr. David Chao (6th from the left), Dr. Lo Lek Long (5th from the left) and other platform guests from Macau with our Macau DFM graduates



Dr. Marcus Wong (5th from the left), Council members and other VIP guests taking a group photo with graduate and colleague from the Hong Kong East cluster

Dr. Welchie Ko (4th from the left, front row), Dr. Wendy Tsui (5th from the left, front row) and Prof. Cindy Lam (2nd from the right, front row) taking a group photo with Council members, VIP guests, graduates, research winner and colleagues from the Hong Kong West cluster



Dr. Li Yim Chu (4th from the left, front row) and Dr. Ken Ho (1st from the left, back row) taking a group photo with Council members, VIP guests and graduates from the Kowloon Central cluster

Dr. David Chao (7th from the left, front row) taking a group photo with Council members, VIP guests, graduates and colleagues from the Kowloon East cluster



Dr. Edmond Chan (4th from the left, front row), Dr. Yiu Yuk Kwan (3rd from the left, front row) and Dr. Peter Anthony Fok (1st from the left, back row) taking a group with Council members, VIP guests, graduates and colleagues from the Kowloon West Cluster



Prof. Philip Li (4th from the left, front row), Dr. Maria Leung (3rd from the left, front row) and Dr. Eric Hui (2nd from the left, back row) taking a group photo with Council members, VIP guests, graduates and colleagues from the New Territories East cluster

PHOTO GALLERY

Dr. Wong Yiu Chung (3rd from the right, front row), Dr. Ng Yeung Shing (3rd from the left, front row) taking a group photo with Council members, VIP guests, graduates and colleagues from the New Territories West cluster



Council members and VIP guests taking a group photo with new FHKCFP & FRACGP/ICFRACGP



Council members and VIP guests taking a group photo with Exit graduates



Council members and VIP guests taking a group photo with DFM graduates



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Dr. David Chao (front row, 6th from the left) and Dr. Nicole Higgins (front row, 6th from the right) taking a group photo with Conferment helpers and Council members

Front row (from left to right):

Dr. Edmond Chan, Dr. Li Yim Chu, Prof. Samuel Wong, Dr. Simon Au, Dr. Christopher Hughes, Dr. David Chao, Dr. Nicole Higgins, Dr. Lau Ho Lim, Dr. Angus Chan, Dr. Welchie Ko, Dr. Matthew Luk and Dr. Chan Hung Chiu

Back row (from left to right):

Dr. Jenny Wang, Dr. Raymond Yeung, Dr. Stephen Chou, Dr. Matthew Lam, Dr. Peter Anthony Fok, Dr. Thomas Dao, Dr. Christina Cheuk, Ms. Erica So and Ms. Teresa Liu



Hong Kong Primary Care Conference 2024 “Family Medicine in the Community: Strengthening Connections” on 5th – 7th July 2024

Post conference message 2024

Dr. Lorna NG

Chairlady, HKPCC Organizing Committee, HKCFP

The 2024 Hong Kong Primary Care Conference was held successfully from July 5-7, 2024. This year, our face-to-face conference has received an overwhelming response attracting not only local distinguished guests and delegates but also participants coming from overseas including Australia, China, Macau, Malaysia, Norway, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan and United Kingdom. With a considerable proportion of international participants, the Hong Kong Tourism Board boosted this event with a cultural booth creating traditional handicrafts for our delegates to take home great memories.

This year's theme “Family Medicine in the Community: Strengthening Connections” highlights the evolving landscape of primary care that is moving forward positively through the dedicated contributions of family doctors who take on leadership roles, exert flexibility in engaging in new working relationships and partnering with various sectors of our social system. Since the release of the Primary Care Blueprint in December 2022, the HKSAR Government has shown a strong commitment to strengthening primary care healthcare services with a series of reform initiatives including the three-year Chronic Disease Co-Care Pilot Scheme (CDCC Pilot Scheme). This pilot scheme aims to establish Family Doctor regime and position the District Health Centers DHC and DHC Express as a hub in fostering the expansion of healthcare network at the community level. As leaders in primary healthcare, Family Doctors should continue their exemplary work in the community and strengthen medical-social collaboration in support of the Primary Care Blueprint and realize the concept of “Family Doctor for All”.

This conference was graced with the presence of prominent plenary speakers including Dr. Lam Ching Choi [Non-official Member, Executive Council, HKSAR and Chief Executive Officer, Haven of Hope Christian Service]; Professor Cindy Lam [Emeritus Professor of Department of Family Medicine & Primary Care, School of Clinical Medicine, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU]; Professor Samuel Wong [Director of JC School of Public Health and Primary Care and Associate Dean (Education), Faculty of Medicine, CUHK] and Professor Rodger Charlton [Professor of Undergraduate Primary Care Education, Leicester Medical School, College of Life Sciences, University of Leicester]. Their topics focused mainly on the significance of medical-social collaboration and the crucial role of family physicians in primary healthcare as well as the role of family doctors in coordinating various aspect of patient care from community mental health to end of life care. Our scientific program with its wide array of interesting yet relevant topics has yet again captivated our participants; proofing once that, this annual event continues to provide a rich milieu for collaboration and networking among our primary care community.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all speakers and facilitators for their valuable support, sponsors for their generosity, all members of our conference organizing committee and secretariat for their dedicated efforts. Last but not least, my utmost gratitude to all delegates for their avid participation in making this hallmark conference an annual success.



Chairlady of HKPCC
Organizing Committee,
Dr. Lorna Ng

Opening Ceremony



Group photos of guests before the opening ceremony



PHOTO GALLERY



The MCs Dr. Catherine Sze (left) and Dr. Derek Wong (right)



Group photo of officiating guests, VIPs and participants



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Opening Remarks by Dr. Libby Lee, JP, Under Secretary for Health



Opening Speech by Dr. David Chao, President of HKCFP



Dr. David Chao (right) presenting Best Research Paper Award certificate to Dr. Amy Ng (left)



Dr. Lorna Ng (left) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Albert Lee (right, the Judge of Full Research Paper Competition)



Plenary I
Dr. Lau Ho Lim (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Lam Ching Choi (right, Speaker)



Plenary II
Dr. Lau Ho Lim (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Cindy Lam (right, Speaker)



Plenary III
Dr. Angus Chan (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Samuel Wong (right, Speaker)



Plenary IV
Prof. Rodger Charlton (right, Speaker) delivered Plenary IV. Dr. Angus Chan (left, Chairperson)



Seminar A
Dr. Lorna Ng (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Ms. Josephine Lee (right, Speaker)



Seminar B
Ms. Brigitte Fung (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Helen Chiu (right, Speaker)



Seminar C
Dr. Eric Lee (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Johnny Lau (right, Speaker)



Seminar D
Dr. Judy Cheng (1st from the left, Chairperson) presenting souvenirs to Speakers Dr. Patrick Chong (1st from the right) and Prof. Martin Wong (middle)



Seminar E
Dr. Matthew Luk (1st from the left, Chairperson) presenting souvenirs to Speakers Dr. Yang Jian (1st from the right) and Prof. Joshua Ho (middle)



Seminar F
Dr. Derek Wong (1st from the left, Chairperson) presenting souvenirs to Speakers Ms. Yan Ka Wai (1st from the right) and Dr. Lok Chi Wing (middle)



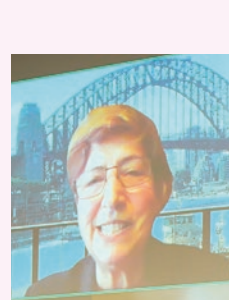
Seminar G
Dr. Catherine Sze (right, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Tellus Ng (left, Speaker)



Seminar H
Dr. Cecilia Sit (middle, Chairperson) presenting souvenirs to Speakers Ms. Chiang Sau Chu (1st from the left) and Dr. Bosco Ma (1st from the right)



Seminar I
Dr. Anthony Ho (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Eric Lee (right, Speaker)



2nd Speaker Dr. Anastasia Mihailidou



Seminar J
Dr. Chiang Lap Kin (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Dong Dong (right, Speaker)

Workshop 1



Dr. Matthew Luk (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. David Luk (right, Speaker)

Workshop 2



Dr. Kathy Tsim (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Irene Kam (right, Speaker)

Workshop 3



Dr. Catherine Sze (right, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Ms. Annette Lam (left, Speaker)

Workshop 4



Dr. Linda Chan (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Chan Kwok Wai (right, Speaker)



Dr. Linda Chan (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Lai Wai Wah (right, Speaker)

Clinical Case Presentation Competition



Judges of Clinical Case Presentation Competition, Ms. Kathy Cheung (2nd from the left) and Dr. Gene Tsoi (2nd from the right) presenting the Best Presentation Award certificate to Dr. Wong Man Ho (middle). Chairpersons Dr. Yau Lai Mo (1st from the left) and Dr. Kathy Tsim (1st from the right)

Full Research Paper Competition



Judge of the competition, Prof. Lam Tai Pong

Free Paper – Oral Presentation Competition



Winner of the Best Oral Presentation Award, Dr. Huang Junjie (middle), receiving the award from Judges of the competition, Dr. Ruby Lee (left) and Prof. Martin Wong (right)



Judge of the competition, Prof. William Wong



Chairperson, Dr. Cecilia Cheung

Free Paper – Poster Presentation Competition



Winners of the Outstanding Poster Presentation Award, Dr. Kiki Liu (1st from the left), Ms. Wang Boyuan (2nd from the right) and Dr. Huang Junjie (1st from the right) receiving the award from Judge of the competition, Dr. Esther Yu (2nd from the left)



Judge of the competition, Ms. Brigitte Fung

Sponsored Online Seminar 1



Dr. Lo Ka Lun (left, Speaker) and Dr. Sharon Ho (right, Chairperson)

Sponsored Online Seminar 2



Dr. Catherine Sze (right, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Chan Lip Kiong (left, Speaker)

Sponsored Online Seminar 3



Prof. Roland Buhl (left, Speaker) and Dr. Chiang Lap Kin (right, Chairperson)

Sponsored Dinner Symposium



Dr. Sharon Ho (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Prof. Desmond Yap (right, Speaker)



Dr. Aldo Wong (left, Chairperson) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Peggy Chu (right, Speaker)

Sponsored Lunch Symposium



Chairpersons Dr. Cheryl Chan (1st from the left) and Dr. Mary Kwong (1st from the right) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Cheng Shan (middle, Speaker)



Chairpersons Dr. Cheryl Chan (1st from the left) and Dr. Mary Kwong (1st from the right) presenting a souvenir to Dr. Lee Ying Cheung (middle, Speaker)

Board of Vocational Training and Standards News

Reminder: Submission of Application for Certification of Completion of Basic Training

To those who will complete Basic Training,

You are advised to submit the 'Application Form for the Certification of Completion of Basic Training in Family Medicine' and the **original copy** of your training logbook to BVTS for certification of completion of training within 3 months upon the completion date.

If the training logbook is incomplete after review by BVTS, you should complete the training process within 6 months upon the completion date and the completion date of training will only be counted from the time all required documents are handed in to complete the certification and **basic training fee of next year will be charged**.

The above information has already been stated in the IMPORTANT NOTICE and the related forms are available at the College website: https://www.hkcfp.org.hk/pages_9_95.html

Should you have any inquiries, please contact Ms. Hannah LOK or Ms. Kathy LAI at 2871 8899.

Basic Training Subcommittee

Reminder: Application for Recommendation for Exit Examination 2025

To all Higher Trainees,

For those who prepare to sit for the 2025 Full Exit Examination, please submit the application letter and the checklist for recommendation for Exit Examination on or before **30 September 2024**. Late applications **WILL NOT** be entertained.

Higher Training Subcommittee

Should you have any inquiries, please contact Ms. Hannah Lok or Ms. Kathy LAI at 2871 8899 or email at BVTS@hkcfp.org.hk.

Board of Vocational Training and Standards

Membership Committee News

The Council approved, on recommendation of the Chairlady of the Membership Committee, the following applications for membership in **May – June 2024**:

New Application

Associate Membership

Dr. CHAN Wing See, Ada	陳穎詩
Dr. HO Sin Ying	何善瑩
Dr. WARNER Emma Louise	
Dr. WONG Wing Yan, Elizabeth	黃穎欣

Non-HKSAR Membership

Dr. LOU Ou Lei	盧奧利
Dr. YU Jianv	于佳女
Dr. ZHANG Dahao	张达豪
Dr. ZHANG Yuanyuan	张媛媛

Re-application

Associate Membership

Dr. LAI Yuen Lee, Edith	黎婉莉
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Classified Advertisement

Accredited Private FM Centre invites Energetic Specialists for expanding group practice in TuenMun/KwaiFong.

Developmental Paediatricians + Psychiatrists most welcomed. Profit Sharing ± Partnership. Send CV enquiry@adecmed.com (Amy Chan) 92126654.

Board of Conjoint Examination News

Report on CCE 2024 Information Seminar for Candidates

The Information Seminar on CCE segment was held on 23 June 2024. A total of 58 participants attended the seminar, including candidates, examiners, observers, board members and the secretarial staff.

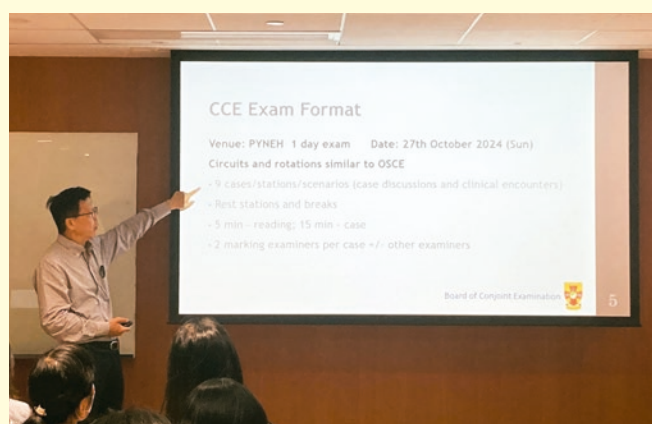
The seminar started with a warm welcome by Dr. Chan Hung Chiu (Chairman), who first introduced the concept and expectations of our Conjoint Examination. He then introduced the structure of new clinical exam Clinical Competency Exam (CCE). After that, Dr. Ip Pang Fei (Chief Examiner) presented the concept of competency and marking criteria for the CCE.

Dr. Loretta Chan (CCE Coordinator) and Dr. Fu Sau Nga (Deputy CCE Coordinator) presented sample cases with videos to illustrate the expected competency performance of the CCE exam, followed by discussion of the marking criteria. Participants were invited to express their views and comments.

On the whole the atmosphere was friendly and the candidates were enthusiastic. Feedback forms were distributed to candidates and their feedback was positive overall. Looking at the feedback statistics, most candidates benefited from this seminar and found it useful. The majority of attendees agreed that the seminar helped their CCE preparation, and provided useful information regarding how their performance will be assessed.

In summary, the afternoon was fruitful for both the participants and board members. It is hoped that the additional information provided to the candidates will help them prepare for the transition to the new Clinical Competency Exam.

CCE 2024 Information Seminar



Presentation by Chairman – introduction of the new clinical exam (CCE).



Presentation by Chief Examiner – introduced the marking criteria for the CCE.



Presentation by CCE Coordinator – introduced the Clinical Encounter case of CCE.



Presentation by Deputy CCE Coordinator – introduced the Case Discussion case of CCE.

Introduction of Clinical Competency Examination in the Conjoint HKCFP/RACGP Fellowship Examination 2024

Dr. Chan Hung Chiu, Chairman, Board of Conjoint Examination, HKCFP

Advancing Clinical Excellence in Family Medicine: The Clinical Competency Exam

The discipline of family medicine is a dynamic field, constantly evolving to meet the changing needs of patients and communities. Driven by new research, emerging best practices, and the ever-present demand for high-quality care, it is imperative that professional clinical exams for family physicians reflect this dynamic nature. Family doctors must possess not only the necessary basic medical knowledge and a comprehensive understanding of the field but also the ability to apply clinical skills effectively in real-world settings, delivering evidence-based patient care of the highest quality.

To ensure that our family medicine trainee doctors possess the comprehensive competencies required to provide optimal patient care, the Board of Conjoint Examination (BCE) of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians (HKCFP), in collaboration with the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP), is introducing a new Clinical Competency Exam (CCE) starting in 2024. This new assessment will replace the long-standing Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) and serve as a comprehensive evaluation of candidates' clinical proficiency, assessing their readiness to deliver high-quality patient care across a range of scenarios. The CCE represents a significant milestone in upholding the high standards of professional competence in family medicine, playing a vital role in ultimately safeguarding public health, and ensuring that qualified fellows possess the multifaceted skills and knowledge required to excel in this dynamic and essential field.

Assessing Competence for Real-World Practice

Building upon the foundational knowledge and competencies assessed through written exams (Applied Knowledge Test, AKT, and Key Feature Problems, KFP), the Clinical Competency Exam (CCE) serves as a comprehensive evaluation of how candidates integrate and apply these competencies in clinical practice. Through a range of simulated clinical scenarios ("cases"), the CCE assesses candidates' ability to demonstrate effective clinical reasoning, knowledge application, and the integration of various skills and competencies mapped to the vocational training curriculum of the HKCFP.

Candidates are expected to demonstrate not only their clinical skills but also their proficiency in articulating clinical reasoning, employing effective communication skills including inter-professional and patient-centred communication, and exhibiting professional attitudes and patient-centred approaches.

The CCE provides a holistic assessment of candidates' readiness for real-world practice, ensuring that newly qualified family physicians meet consistent, high standards of clinical competence, communication skills, and the ability

to deliver exceptional patient care in diverse real-world clinical settings. By rigorously evaluating these multifaceted competencies, the CCE plays a crucial role in upholding the quality and integrity of family medicine practice.

Comprehensive Evaluation

The CCE is a summative clinical exam, sampling across a number of different "data points", that is, the different competencies* (listed below). This allows the Board to reliably confirm that a passing candidate has achieved the level required for a pass and has not passed the exam by chance.

Assessment Tasks Aligned with Competency Standards

CCE assessment tasks have been meticulously designed with the following considerations to ensure a comprehensive and robust evaluation of candidates' competencies:

- Assessment tasks must contain clearly defined appropriate performance criteria against which a candidate can be objectively measured, ensuring fairness and consistency of the assessment process.
- Competencies must be mapped to the HKCFP Vocational Training Curriculum, ensuring alignment with the established standards and expectations for family medicine practice in Hong Kong.
- Competencies must be able to be assessed in a simulated clinical exam situation.
- Collecting evidence relevant to each of the competencies multiple times and in varying contexts, ensuring a thorough evaluation of candidates' abilities to apply their knowledge and skills consistently in diverse clinical scenarios, further enhancing the validity and reliability of the assessment process.

The Competencies In The Marking Grid

The CCE focuses on clinical skills. The CCE is mapped to the core skills in the HKCFP Curriculum and the competency outcomes within those core skills.

The Clinical Competencies for the CCE are grouped under the following headings:

1. Communication and consultation skills
2. Clinical information gathering and interpretation
3. Diagnosis, decision-making and reasoning
4. Clinical management and therapeutic reasoning
5. Preventive and population health
6. Professionalism
7. General practice systems and regulatory requirements
8. Procedural skills
9. Managing uncertainty
10. Identifying and managing the patient with significant illness

Each competency consists of a number of criteria. A performance list has been developed describing what should be expected of a fellow at the point of fellowship for each criterion. These are contained in the Clinical Competency Rubric#.

Not every station will cover all competencies. Cases will have been designed to specifically address certain competencies, to ensure that every competency is assessed through a variety of scenarios.

Examination Format

To ensure a realistic and comprehensive evaluation, the exam will be conducted in simulated clinical environments. These settings will mimic real-life situations, allowing trainees to demonstrate their skills in a controlled yet realistic environment. Standardized patients (in clinical encounters) will be utilized to create challenging scenarios.

The CCE consists of nine cases delivered in short sessions across one or two days (depending on the number of participating candidates). The exam will occur in real life face-to-face situation.

- Four (or five) cases will be case discussions and five (or four) will be clinical encounters.
- Case discussions and clinical encounters are mixed during the exam day.
- All cases are the same length – five minutes of reading time, fifteen minutes of case time.
- Two marking examiners will be present in each case:
 - For the case discussions the examiners deliver the case.
 - For the clinical encounters the examiners observe the interaction between the candidate and the role player.

Case Discussions and Clinical Encounters

Case Discussion

This is a candidate and examiner inter-professional discussion. Candidates will be given a patient record summary and relevant background history, which may include examination findings, investigation results or clinical photos. Questions and/or additional information are then delivered verbally.

Example: Candidates may be asked to formulate their problem definition, list differential diagnoses and/or discuss what investigations they would order and why. They may be asked to explain the reasoning behind their diagnostic, investigation, or clinical management decisions.

Examiners may use prompts or probes if required to ensure candidates have an opportunity to demonstrate their clinical reasoning.

Case Encounter

Clinical encounter is presented as a simulation. The candidate will interact with a role player and be given a case information summary and instructions on what is requested of them within the consultation. Marking examiners observe and mark the candidate's performance against the competencies being assessed for that case.

Example: Candidates may be presented with a clinical question by the role player where the role player is acting as

a patient. This may require further history taking. They may also be required to explain results to the patient and manage the patient within that clinical consultation.

Determination of a Passing Grade

The CCE determines the passing grade using the borderline regression method based on the examiners' overall ratings of candidates across all cases.

Key points about the determination of the passing grade:

- Candidates are scored by examiners against a unique rubric for each case using a 4-point competency scale.
- Examiners also provide an "Examiner's overall rating of the candidate" using a 5-point rating scale from "Clearly below standard", "Below expected standard", "Borderline", "At expected standard" to "Above standard".
- The pass mark for each case is calculated after the exam using the borderline regression method based on the scores in all the five "Overall rating" categories.
- The overall exam pass mark is the sum of the pass marks for each individual case.
- There is no requirement to pass a minimum number of cases, nor are specific cases mandatory to pass.
- The pass mark can vary between exams, aiming to make fair pass/fail decisions based on competency rather than a fixed percentage.

Embracing Changes

While the introduction of this new Clinical Competency Exam may present challenges to both the trainee doctors and the examiners, it is an important step towards ensuring all new family doctors meet the highest standards of clinical preparedness and patient care. By embracing this change and committing to continuous learning and improvement, the family medicine discipline can further strengthen the trust and confidence of the public in the healthcare system.

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Some Useful Links in RACGP Websites

The RACGP provides detailed candidate guidelines and resources on their website to assist in CCE preparation, which requires membership login access.

1. Sitting the RACGP CCE soon? Here is what you need to know! - GPEx
<https://gpex.com.au/news/sitting-the-racgp-cce-soon-here-is-what-you-need-to-know/>
2. Clinical Competency Exam - RACGP
<https://www.racgp.org.au/education/fracgp-exams/racgp-exams/clinical-competency-exam>
3. Five mistakes to avoid making in the RACGP CCE - GPEx
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DH to adopt new growth charts after 31 years

Introduction

The Department of Health (DH) announced on 22 April 2024 that a new set of growth charts, i.e. the Hong Kong 2020 Growth References (HK2020), with new references and definitions will be adopted starting from the second half of 2024 as a better tool to assess and monitor the growth of children and adolescents.

Growth charts serve as an important reference tool for clinical assessment of an individual child, and facilitate the monitoring of growth trends of the entire population of children and the timely adjustment of public health measures and strategies on enhancing children's health.

The Hong Kong Growth Study (HKGS)

To study the growth of contemporary Hong Kong children and review the existing growth charts developed in 1993 (HK1993), the DH, the Department of Paediatrics of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and the Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine of the University of Hong Kong jointly conducted the Hong Kong Growth Study (HKGS) which was funded by the Health and Medical Research Fund (HMRF) of the Health Bureau. The research team also reviewed whether the Child Growth Standards developed by the World Health Organization for children 0 to 5 years old in 2006 (WHO2006) was suitable to be adopted for use in Hong Kong.

The key characteristics of the HKGS and the development of the HK2020

1. Apart from the funding from the HMRF, the HKGS reviewed and analysed the growth data of over **two million local children** collected by the DH's Family Health Service and Student Health Service. In addition, a population-based growth survey was conducted from 2019 to 2022, with growth data collected from **over 21,300 infants, children and adolescents** at hospitals, health centres and education institutes;
2. The HKGS results revealed **a clear secular trend in height** for children and adolescents in Hong Kong. Thus a new set of growth charts for child-growth monitoring is required in Hong Kong.

Four New Growth Charts

Based on the data collected in the growth survey and advice from local and overseas experts, **four sets of gender-specific growth charts** for children 0 to 18 years are developed in the HK2020:

1. Weight-for-age charts;
2. Length/height-for-age charts;
3. Body Mass Index (BMI)-for-age charts;
4. Head circumference-for-age charts.

Differences between the New and Old Growth Charts

1. Comparing the new and old growth charts, the **weight and height** in HK2020 **were higher** than that in HK1993, particularly at **pubertal ages**.
2. Notably, an **increase of about 2 centimetres in median height** was found for boys and girls at the **age of 18**.

Other Findings and Recommendations from HKGS

1. The data of Hong Kong children 0-5 years in the survey also fitted the WHO2006 reasonably well. The HKGS concluded that **HK2020 for 0 to 18 years and WHO2006 for 0 to 5 years are suitable for use for Hong Kong children**.
2. Also, as the distribution of body fat for children changes with age, the study recommended an updated definition and assessment for overweight/obesity by **using BMI-for-age instead of weight-for-height**. The growth assessment in many places (including the Mainland, the United Kingdom and the United States) are also using BMI as a reference.

Clinical Services

1. The DH will continue its healthy lifestyle promotion among children and parents and various health promotion programmes (such as the Whole School Health Programme) in order to better prevent and improve the overweight situation of the children.
2. To provide an updated reference tool to assess and monitor the growth of children and adolescents, the DH will adopt the HK2020 at its Maternal and Child Health Centres (MCHCs) and Student Health Service Centres (SHSCs) for growth monitoring of children aged 0 to 5 years and 6 to 18 years respectively. The new growth charts are expected to be deployed in **July 2024 for MCHCs** and in **September 2024 for SHSCs**.
3. Starting from September 2024, the **Hospital Authority** will implement the new growth charts in its hospitals **in phases**, with a view to rolling out to all its hospitals **by end of 2024**.

- The District Health Centres currently providing services targeted at children, including group classes and outreach health risk assessment, will also support the launching of the new growth charts.
- In addition, the DH will also send letters to healthcare professional bodies and stakeholders to inform them of the study and the new growth charts.
- Moreover, the new growth chart shall also be made available in the eHealth app for use and viewing.

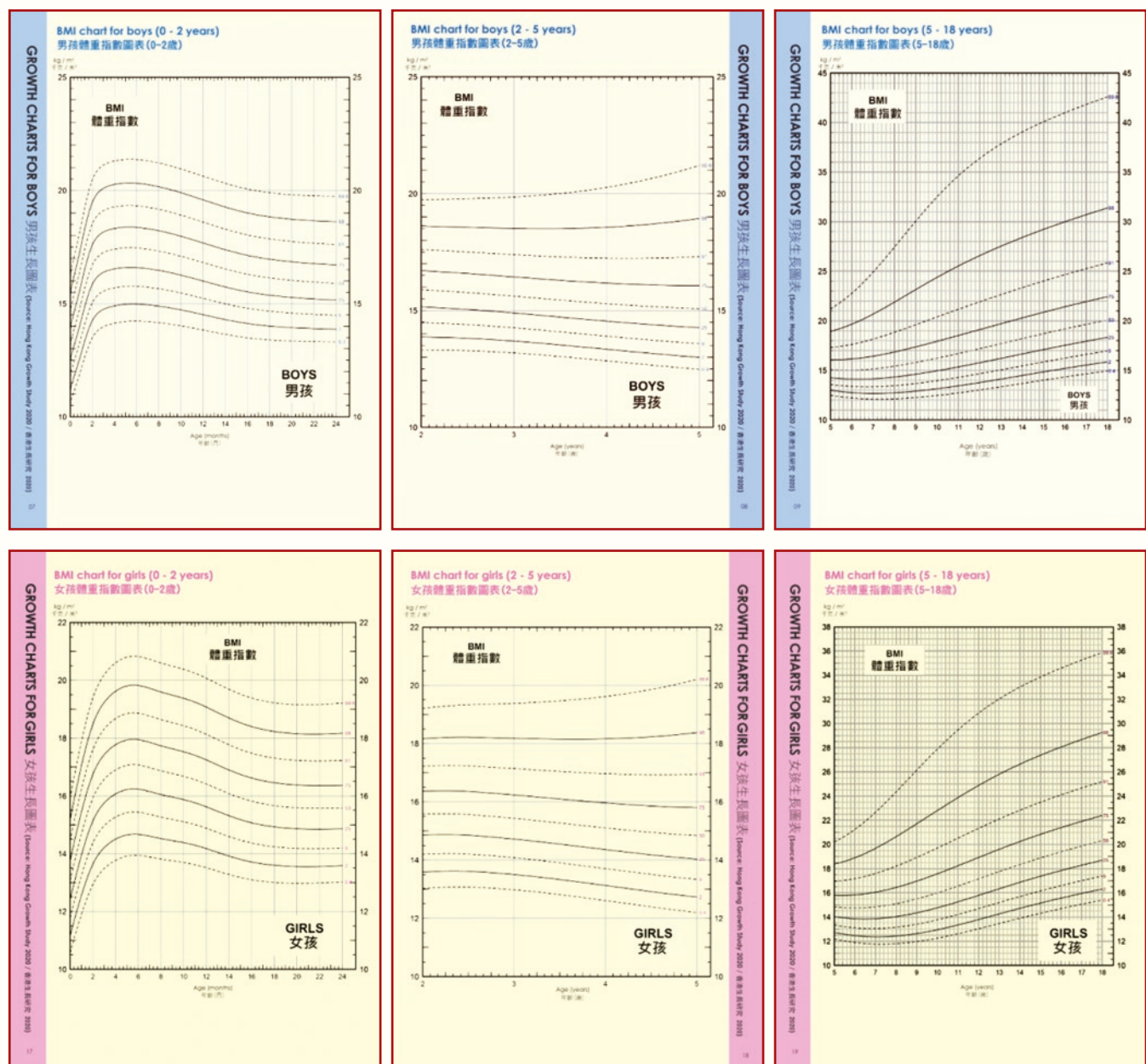
- Relevant information of the study will be made available at the HKGS website as well as the website of DH for reference and use by professionals.

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For more information on the updated set of growth charts, please visit www.dh.gov.hk/english/useful/useful_PP_Growth_Chart/useful_PP_Growth_Chart.html and www.dh.gov.hk/english/useful/useful_HP_Growth_Chart/useful_HP_Growth_Chart.html

Growth Charts with the use of BMI



Compiled by Dr. Yeung Wai Man

Young Doctors Committee News – Family Medicine Career Talk 2024

Dr. Chan Lam, Chloe

Co-chairlady, Young Doctors Committee, HKCFP; Member, Young Fellows Chapter, HKAM

The Young Doctors Committee of The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians has been hosting career talk that provided medical students and graduates with valuable insights into the diverse career paths available within the field of family medicine since 2018. This year we had our 8th career talk on 13th of June 2024, it was presented in hybrid mode including both online and onsite with 108 registrants in total, 20 onsite and 88 online respectively. The registrants including graduates from both universities, licentiates, interns and current local and foreign medical practitioners.

The event was moderated by the YDC co-chairladies Dr. Esther Yu and Dr. Chloe Chan, featured speakers representing a range of practice settings, including the Hospital Authority, private practice and academia, with the aims to introduce the training programme offered by our College, the assessment methods, post-specialist development and most importantly the life as a family physician in different sectors. We were honoured to have our College President Dr. David Chao who started the event by delivering an insightful welcoming speech through Zoom. Dr Esther Yu expressed the core value as a family physician, primary care as the foundation of any effective healthcare system, and family medicine physicians are at the heart of primary care delivery. As the “family doctors for all” continues to evolve, the contribution of family medicine doctors has become increasingly critical in ensuring high-quality, comprehensive, and coordinated care for patients. Higher trainees Dr. Dennis Lo, Dr. Jerry Woo and Dr. Nadia Tai introduced the basic training and the conjoint exam. Dr. Aldo Wong and Dr Wallace Tsang introduced the new higher training system and the change in the exit exam. Dr. Pearl Low shared her experience of the licentiate pathway as an overseas graduate. Dr. Thomas Dao, a family medicine specialist who has been practicing in the public healthcare system under the Hospital Authority for over 10 years, shared his experience in various developments in Family Medicine including special interests and extended roles of Family Physicians, such as ultrasound, dermatology, sports medicine etc. Afterwards we received lots of online queries from interns and students regarding the training and career prospects in family medicine. Dr. Dao and Dr. Esther Yu gave the whole training program a summary and had a Q&A session that answered many queries. After the break Dr. Dr. Lau Ka Man and Dr. Charis Ng shared with us their experience working in a busy community clinic in Hospital Authority and NGO respectively, highlighting the challenges

and rewards of providing comprehensive primary care to a diverse patient population. Dr. Chloe Chan runs a private family medicine practice in the heart of the city, shared her perspective on the entrepreneurial aspects of family medicine. She discussed the considerations involved in setting up and managing a private practice. Dr. Cheryl Chan shared her daily work in private hospital as well as activities in WONCA Young Doctor Movements and her role as Young Doctors’ representative in the WONCA executive board. The final speaker was Dr. Emily Tse, an associate professor of family medicine of the university. Dr. Tse talked about the rewarding yet demanding nature of academic family medicine, highlighting the opportunities for research, teaching, and leadership within the field.

The talk ended with Q&A and group discussions with our speakers. Throughout the event, the speakers emphasized the versatility of family medicine and encouraged the medical students in attendance to explore the diverse career options available to them. The audience engaged in lively discussions, asking questions about work-life balance, career progression, and the unique challenges faced in each practice setting.

We received post talk evaluation online after the talk. 90% of participants would choose family medicine, they had more understanding of the primary care in Hong Kong, the role of family physicians in the health care system, training and assessment method and career prospects after the talk. The results are summarized in **Chart 1** and **Table 2**.

Lastly, we would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to our College executives and the YDC members for their continuous support to our event. We look forward to the future career talks to inspire more medical graduates to join our big family!

Chart 1. After the talk, what are your top 3 specialties you would choose in your future career?

1st

11 responses

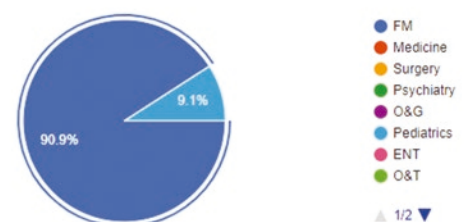


Table 2.

How well do you know the following after the talk: (1 = very poor; 5 = very good)	1	2	3	4	5
1. Primary care in Hong Kong	0	0	0	81.8%	18.2%
2. The role of a family physician in health care system	0	0	0	45.5%	54.5%
3. Speciality Training /assessment methods in family medicine	0	0	0	54.5%	45.5%
4. The career prospect as a family physician	0	0	0	45.5%	54.5%

Speakers in the Career Talk

Front Left to Right: Dr. Cheryl Chan, Dr. Chloe Chan, Dr. Esther Yu, Dr. Thomas Dao, Dr. Aldo Wong, Dr. Wallace Tsang

**President Dr. David Chao giving welcome****Speakers giving talks**

Dr. Jerry Woo, Dr. Nadia Tai and Dr. Dennis Lo (from left to right)



Dr. Aldo Wong (left) and Dr. Wallace Tsang (right)



Dr. Esther Yu (left) and Dr. Thomas Dao (right)



Dr. Pearl Low



Dr. Lau Ka Man



Dr. Charis Ng



Dr. Cheryl Chan



Dr. Chloe Chan



Dr. Emily Tse



The Diary of a Family Doctor【家庭醫生的日常】

停一停、諗一諗

譚仲豪醫生

母校醫學院的學弟今日下午被安排到我們診所進行職前體檢。在離開前，學弟突然問道：「從7月1日起，我開始為期一年的實習。這家醫院的內科是首站，出名工作十分不容易，你有甚麼經驗可以分享嗎？」

學弟表示自己對內科比較感興趣，似乎這是他心儀的專科，但對即將在這家經常被同袍稱為「戰場」的醫院工作，難免感到焦慮。

面對這個有趣的提問，我也需要「停一停、諗一諗」，再道出內心最直接的回答：「你也許聽說過很多同學或前輩說這裡的工作環境並非舒適，對此我表示理解。作為實習醫生，你很多時候需要跟隨上級和前輩四處奔走，協助完成各種要務，例如幫忙問診收症、抽血、打點滴、學習各種臨床技能、幫助上級完成繁瑣的文書工作等。你可能會感受到枯燥乏味的時刻，但這無疑也是一個很好的學習體驗。」

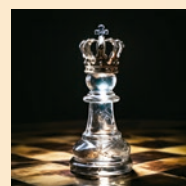
「這一年，你不會如大學時期一樣，有固定的課程和精美的筆記來學習理論知識。但在日常的大小任務中，即使在身心疲憊的時刻，也請盡量以用心對待的態度來完成工作任務，而非機械式地敷衍了事，不然，今年的時光就白白地度過了。你不妨嘗試仔細觀察前輩在做甚麼、理解他們做下決定的原因。忙碌的前輩通常不會有太多空閒教你如何處事，因為他們認為你已經長大了，會尊重你的獨立性，不會一直拉着你的手做事。但他們日常撰寫的病歷、作出的每個醫療決定，以及在巡房時說的話，都是向你作無形示範。當你今天了解他們做過的事，一年後便輪到你當別人的榜樣了。所以，今年你要盡量多觀察和領會工作中發生的事，融會貫通後，將受用終生。」

我續說：「既然你表示對內科有興趣，不妨也看看每天的實際工作是否符合你的期望。從中希望你會明白，人生將會未必每天都是順心的，你可能會遇到不如意事的時刻、不幸遇上「難以合作的」病人，被唾罵被投訴的時刻、工作到心力交瘁的時刻、專科考試不成功之後仍要重拾心情上班的時刻，你是否能夠包容以上一切，堅持喜歡自己想做內科的初心？這一年將是一個寶貴的經驗，讓你明確自己最期望做什麼，未來成為一個怎樣的自己。」

學弟聽完之後，緊皺的眉頭稍微放鬆，似乎想通了一點。希望這番話能幫助他在工作的首月裡順利起步。

同時，我回想起自己當年大學畢業的那一天，父母送上了祝賀禮物——一隻戴上皇冠的水晶西洋象棋，上面有一塊刻有「Doctor」的牌子。母親說：「恭喜你大學畢業。棋子上的皇冠代表別人對你產生敬重，但你也

要明白，這皇冠與耶穌在十字架上戴的一樣，都是一頂『荊棘冠冕』，代表別人對你的期望和需要背負的責任，請你好好珍惜。」這些話語，直到如今我仍然銘記在心。



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Submission of articles to The Diary of a Family Doctor with up to 600 words in Chinese or 400 words in English are always welcome. College Tie/ Scarf/ Pin/ Gift vouchers will be given as token of appreciation if the articles are selected for publication.

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Congratulations!

The returns from the following doctors have been selected for June 2024 issue:

Dr. AU Chui Kwan, Dr. CHO Yin Fan, Dr. LI Yim Chu, Dr. PANG Sze Ching Esther



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Share your thoughts

WONCA South Asia REGIONAL conference

Dr. Chan Yuen Ching Cheryl

Member, Young Doctors' Committee, HKCFP; WONCA Young Doctors' representative

The WONCA South Asia regional conference, held in Sri Lanka from 3-5 May, 2024, was a truly memorable event that showcased the vibrant culture and warm hospitality of the island nation. The opening ceremony was a particular highlight, as attendees were treated to a dazzling display of traditional Sri Lankan dance performances. The energy and enthusiasm of the dancers captivated the audience, setting the tone for an engaging and enriching conference.



Dr. Cheryl Chan and the national representatives from Sri Lanka and Bhutan

A major draw of the event were the plenary lectures delivered by esteemed WONCA leaders. WONCA President Prof. Karen Flegg gave an insightful presentation on "Strengthening Primary Care through Family Medicine,"

underscoring the critical role of family doctors in delivering comprehensive, patient-centered care. Following this, Prof. Michael Kidd shared his expertise on "Clinician Leadership for Family Doctors," providing ten practical tips to help family physicians develop their leadership skills and contribute to the advancement of the specialty.



Prof. Karen Flegg, WONCA president delivering the plenary lecture

The WONCA South Asia conference was preceded by a pre-conference event tailored for young family medicine practitioners and was held in their medical school. The highlight of this pre-conference was a workshop led by WONCA CEO Dr. Harris Lygidakis, which focused on helping participants translate the global experiences and best practices of WONCA into tangible improvements within their local communities.



Young Doctors' Movement Preconference organized by the Spice Route, at the UCFM Tower, Colombo, Sri Lanka

One of the highlights of the conference was a workshop organized by the WONCA Working Party on Women and Family Medicine (WWPWFM). The session focused on empowering women in family medicine and supporting working mothers to overcome the unique challenges they face during their training and residency. The open and candid discussions allowed participants to share their experiences, identify barriers, and explore strategies to create a more inclusive and supportive environment for women in the field.



Dr. Cheryl Chan and members of the WWPWF

Running concurrently with the regional conference, the WONCA executive meeting took place in Negombo, providing a valuable opportunity to connect with colleagues from around the world. As a participant in this meeting, I had the privilege of engaging in discussions about the future direction and development of family medicine globally. The exchange of ideas and the collaborative spirit were truly rewarding and eye-opening, as we collectively explored ways to strengthen the specialty and improve patient outcomes. I was truly

honored to represent the voice of the younger generation in the board of directors of WONCA.

The conference concluded with a gala dinner, which proved to be an excellent platform for networking and cultural immersion. The sumptuous Sri Lankan cuisine and lively cultural performances were a delightful blend of flavors and traditions, allowing attendees to further appreciate the richness of the host country's heritage. During the dinner, I had the opportunity to connect with fellow family medicine practitioners from Indonesia, Nepal, Sri Lanka, India, and Pakistan, forging new friendships and solidifying existing connections.



Dr. Cheryl Chan and colleagues from Colombia, Sri Lanka, Nepal and India

The WONCA South Asia conference and WONCA executive meeting in Sri Lanka were undoubtedly a resounding success, blending academic rigor, professional networking, and cultural exploration. The event not only strengthened the bonds within the family medicine community but also fostered a greater understanding and appreciation for the diverse perspectives and experiences that enrich the global practice of this vital specialty.



WONCA Executive Board Members, 2023-2025

Meeting Highlights

Certificate Course on Philosophical Counselling co-organised with the Department of Philosophy, CUHK

The 3rd session of Certificate Course on Philosophical Counselling was held on 15 June 2024.

Group Photo taken on 15 June 2024



Certificate Course in Ophthalmology for Primary Care Doctors 2024 co-organized with The College of Ophthalmologists of Hong Kong

The last session of Certificate Course in Ophthalmology for Primary Care Doctors 2024 was held on 23 June 2024.

Dr. FONG Yeuk Ying, Yoly, Specialist in Ophthalmology, delivered a lecture on "Emergency Eye Conditions".



Dr. KWONG Bi Lok, Mary (left, Moderator) presenting a souvenir to Dr. FONG Yeuk Ying, Yoly (right, Speaker).

CME Lecture on 29 June 2024

Dr. YEY Yik Weng, Senior Consultant Dermatologist, National Skin Centre (NSC), Singapore, delivered a lecture on "A New Era in Systemic Therapy for Atopic Dermatitis: From Infancy to Adulthood".



Dr. CHUNG Tze Nang, John (right, Moderator) presenting a souvenir to Dr. YEW Yik Weng (left, Speaker).

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICE

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PolyU is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity and inclusivity. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to gender, ethnicity, nationality, family status or physical or mental disabilities.

Sunday Symposium on 30 June 2024

Prof. KONG Pik Shan, Alice, Division of Endocrinology, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, delivered a lecture on "Early identification of heart failure in patients with type 2 diabetes"; Dr. LEE Shun Wah, Jenny, Consultant Geriatrician, Department of Medicine and Geriatrics, Tai Po Hospital and Department of Medicine, Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital, delivered a lecture on "Optimal management of heart failure in the elderly and in patients with comorbidities"; Dr. CHENG Wai Fat, Rex, Specialist in Family Medicine, delivered a lecture on "Early detection of heart failure in family medicine" and Dr. FONG Yan Hang, Esmond, Associate Consultant, Division of Cardiology, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, delivered a lecture on "Improving patient outcomes in Hong Kong: Managing heart failure and implementing guideline-directed medical therapy".



Group Photo taken on 30 June 2024 (From left to right)

Dr. FONG Yan Hang, Esmond (Speaker), Dr. CHENG Wai Fat, Rex (Speaker), Dr. WONG Ka Lam, Michael (Co-chairperson), Prof. KONG Pik Shan, Alice (Speaker), Dr. LEE Shun Wah, Jenny (Speaker) and Dr. SAU Chung Ying (Co-chairperson).



Certificate Course on Bringing Better Health to Our Community 2024

Co-organized with

Queen Elizabeth Hospital, The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians and The Hong Kong Medical Association

Dates	: 31 August 2024, 28 September 2024, 26 October 2024, 30 November 2024
Time	: 1:00pm - 2:00pm Light Refreshment 2:00pm - 4:00 pm Lecture & Discussion
Venue	: Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Course Fee	: Free
Accreditation	: 2 CME Points HKCFP (Cat. 5.2) 2 CME Points MCHK (Pending)
Certification	: Certificate will be awarded to participants who have fulfilled the attendance requirement for 3 sessions or more

Programme Schedule

Dates	Time	Topics	Speakers
31 August 2024 (Sat)	2:00 4:00 pm	Update on Management of Chronic Hepatitis B Infection	Dr. LAM Yip Shun, Wilson Associate Consultant, Department of Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
		Latest Advances in Management of Chronic Heart Failure	Dr. WONG Man Ho, Ivan Cardiologist Specialist, Department of Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
28 September 2024 (Sat)	2:00 4:00 pm	Rheumatological Diseases other than Arthritis and SLE	Prof. SO Ho Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine & Therapeutics, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
		Approach to Facial Dermatoses	Dr. Kingsley CHAN Dermatologist Specialist Private Practice
26 October 2024 (Sat)	2:00 4:00 pm	Life Long Preventive Care Plain	Dr. YU Yee Tak, Esther Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine and Primary Care, The University of Hong Kong
		Update on Management of Overactive Bladder	Dr. Clarence LEUNG Urologist Specialist, Private Practice
30 November 2024 (Sat)	2:00 4:00 pm	Approach to Management of Shoulder Pain	Dr. NG Pak Lin, Eugene Orthopaedic Specialist, Department of Orthopaedics & Traumatology, Kwong Wah Hospital
		Shoulder Physiotherapy / Practical Tips on Home Exercise for Shoulder Pain	Ms. Isa LAM Senior Physiotherapist, Physiotherapy Department, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Registration will be first come first served. Please scan the QR code to complete the registration.
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- Please observe appropriate dress code to the hotel for the Scientific Meeting.
- Private video recording is not allowed. Members, who wish to review the lecture, please contact our Secretariat.

Online Monthly Video Sessions

Dates and Time	Topics
26 July 2024 (Fri) 2:30 – 3:30pm	“Vaccination Strategies to Minimize Risk for COPD & Asthma Patients” by Dr. TSANG Kay Yan, Joseph
30 August 2024 (Fri) 2:30 – 3:30pm	“Time to Reconsider Gestational Diabetes?” by Dr. WONG Cheuk Lik

QR Codes for registration



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Up to 2 CPD Points (Subject to submission of satisfactory report of Professional Development Log)

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Admission Fee : Member Free
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For non-members, please contact the secretariat for registration details. All fees received are non-refundable nor transferable.

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 4. Members who have attended less than 75% of the length of the online lecture may not be able to receive CME. Final decision would be subject to the approval of the related Board / Committee.
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Structured Education Programmes

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Date/Time/CME	Venue	Topic/Speaker(s)	Registration
Thursday, 01 August 2024			
16:00 - 18:00	Activities Room, 3/F, Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	Update Management of Hematological Disease - RBC, WBC & Platelet Findings Dr. WONG Tsz Yan, Dr. LEUNG Hor Yee	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
Wednesday, 07 August 2024			
14:30 - 17:00	SB1032, 1/F, Special Block, Tuen Mun Hospital	Chest X-Rays in Lung Cancer Screening: Evaluating Efficacy and Managing Abnormal Findings Dr. WANG Siqi	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
14:30 - 17:30	Conference Room 2, G/F, Block M, QEH	Contraception, Pap Smear (Overview & Update) Dr. LAU Tsz Ying Yumi, Dr. CHAN Hoi Lam Letty	Ms. Emily LAU Tel: 3506 8610
15:30 - 17:30	Seminar Room, Family Medicine Specialist Clinic, 3/F, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic (South Wing), PWH	Visit to DHC External Speaker	Mr. LAM Ka-lun Tel: 5569 6405
17:00 - 19:00	Lecture Room, 6/F, Tsan Yuk Hospital, 30 Hosptial Road, Hong Kong	Chronic Urological Problems Dr. HOU Bai Jing	Ms. Cherry WONG Tel: 2589 2337
Thursday, 08 August 2024			
16:00 - 18:00	Activities Room, 3/F, Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	Updates in Colorectal Cancer Screening Dr. WOO Tiffany, Dr. LAM Ka Wai	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
Wednesday, 14 August 2024			
14:30 - 17:00	Rm 13, 2/F, Tin Shui Wai (Tin Yip Road) Community Health Centre	Update Management of Neuro Disease-Stroke Rehabilitation or Epilepsy Dr. TAM Chin Yui	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
14:30 - 17:30	Conference Room 2, G/F, Block M, QEH	Update on Management of Chronic Hepatitis B & C & HCC Surveillance Dr. SIN Tak Yee Melody, Dr. OR Ego	Ms. Emily LAU Tel: 3506 8610
15:30 - 17:30	Seminar Room, Family Medicine Specialist Clinic, 3/F, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic (South Wing), PWH	Teenage Pregnancy and Abortion Dr. CHOW Chun Fung Ray, Dr. WONG Tsz Yan Nicole	Mr. LAM Ka-lun Tel: 5569 6405
17:00 - 19:00	Lecture Room, 6/F, Tsan Yuk Hospital, 30 Hosptial Road, Hong Kong	Family Physicians in a Health Care Delivery System Dr. LEE Chun Ki	Ms. Cherry WONG Tel: 2589 2337
Thursday, 15 August 2024			
16:00 - 18:00	Activities Room, 3/F, Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	Understanding the Updated Legal Obligations for Family Physicians in Reporting Child Abuse Dr. CHIU Kwan Ki, Dr. LAM Yat Hei	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
Wednesday, 21 August 2024			
14:30 - 17:00	SB1034AB, 1/F, Special Block, Tuen Mun Hospital	Evaluation and Management of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding in Non-pregnant Women Dr. CHAN Chui Ying	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
14:30 - 17:30	Conference Room 2, G/F, Block M, QEH	Consultation Enhancement (Physical Examination: Hand & Wrist and Video Consultation) Dr. YEUNG Chin Fung, Dr. LAM Josephine Wai May	Ms. Emily LAU Tel: 3506 8610
15:30 - 17:30	Seminar Room, Family Medicine Specialist Clinic, 3/F, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic (South Wing), PWH	New Professional Era Development: Microbiome Medicine Dr. GE Shicong, Dr. WONG Ka Yan Judy	Mr. LAM Ka-lun Tel: 5569 6405
17:00 - 19:00	Lecture Room, 6/F, Tsan Yuk Hospital, 30 Hosptial Road, Hong Kong	Practical Tips on DA/CSSA Form Dr. CHAU Kai Man	Ms. Cherry WONG Tel: 2589 2337
Thursday, 22 August 2024			
16:00 - 18:00	Activities Room, 3/F, Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	Role of Family Doctor in Handling Victims of Sexual Violence Dr. AU Hin Fung, Dr. NG Mei Po	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
Wednesday, 28 August 2024			
14:30 - 17:00	SB1034AB, 1/F, Special Block, Tuen Mun Hospital	Community Resources for Cardiac and Respiratory Disease Dr. CHAN Cheuk Sing, Dr. LI Muk Lam	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813
14:30 - 17:30	Conference Room 2, G/F, Block M, QEH	Approach to retinal photo Dr. WONG Yuet Hei Jacob, Dr. HE Yuzhong	Ms. Emily LAU Tel: 3506 8610
15:30 - 17:30	Seminar Room, Family Medicine Specialist Clinic, 3/F, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic (South Wing), PWH	Bite management Dr. YEUNG Yuen Ching Chloe, Dr. LUI Yin Mei Catherine	Mr. LAM Ka-lun Tel: 5569 6405
17:00 - 19:00	Lecture Room, 6/F, Tsan Yuk Hospital, 30 Hosptial Road, Hong Kong	The Red book: Hong Kong Medical Council's Professional Code and Conduct Dr. LEUNG Cheuk Yiu Earnest	Ms. Cherry WONG Tel: 2589 2337
Thursday, 29 August 2024			
16:00 - 18:00	Activities Room, 3/F, Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	How to Handle a Couple with Marital Problems? Dr. WU Flora, Dr. LEE Sik Kwan	Ms. Eliza CHAN Tel: 2468 6813

HKSH MEDICAL GROUP LI SHU PUI SYMPOSIUM 2024 NEW PRACTICES IN PAIN MANAGEMENT



Date: Sunday, 8 September 2024

Venue: Ballroom, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong & via Webinar

08:50 – 09:00	Welcome	Dr. Walton LI
09:00 – 09:30	Keynote Lecture: Headache – Diagnosis & Treatment	Dr. Patrick LI Dr. YU Chung Ping
Symposium 1 Pain in Thorax		Chairperson Dr. Duncan HO Dr. LEUNG Yim Lung
09:30 – 09:45	Chest Pain: A Cardiologist's Perspective	Dr. Vincent KWOK
09:45 – 10:00	Chest Pain – What Can a Respiratory Physician Do Nowadays	Dr. LAM Bing
10:00 – 10:15	Imaging – Pain in the Thorax	Dr. Gladys LO
10:15 – 10:30	Referred Pain to Chest	Dr. Daniel TONG
10:30 – 10:40	Discussion	
10:40 – 11:00	Break	
Symposium 2 Pain from Musculoskeletal System		Chairperson Dr. Peter CHIU Dr. YEUNG Chun Yip
11:00 – 11:15	Pain on Walking	Dr. Stephen WU
11:15 – 11:30	Management of Neck Pain in Patient with Spinal Metastasis	Dr. Joshua KO
11:30 – 11:45	Low Back Pain Other Than Prolapsed Disc	Dr. Keith LUK
11:45 – 12:00	What's New in Managing Patients with Arthritis of Fingers	Dr. Gavin LEE
12:00 – 12:10	Discussion	
12:10 – 13:00	Li Shu Pui Lecture Can Spinal Alignment and Balance Help to Understand Pain From the Spine?	Chairperson Dr. Joshua KO Dr. Dennis HEY
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
Symposium 3 Abdominal Pain		Chairperson Dr. Michael LI Dr. Hextan NGAN
14:00 – 14:15	Acute Abdomen	Dr. Angus CHAN
14:15 – 14:30	Upper Abdominal Pain, Dull & Sharp	Dr. CHAN See Ching
14:30 – 14:45	Urological Pain	Dr. WONG Wai Sang
14:45 – 15:00	Pelvic Pain in Women	Dr. YUEN Pong Mo
15:00 – 15:10	Discussion	
15:10 – 15:40	Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Presidential Lecture Approaches to Pain Relief for Enhanced Recovery After Surgery	Professor Stephen J WIGMORE (Introduction by Dr. William WEI)
15:40 – 16:00	Break	
Symposium 4 Pain Management in Other Specialties		Chairperson Dr. Tony KWOK Dr. LAU Chor Chiu
16:00 – 16:15	Abdominal Pain in Children	Dr. YEUNG Chap Yung
16:15 – 16:30	Toothache	Dr. Dennis WONG
16:30 – 16:45	Eye Pain	Dr. Amy WONG
16:45 – 17:00	Pain Clinic – Current Status	Dr. CHEUNG Chi Wai

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4 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. CCE Examiner Training Workshop (2 nd Clinical Encounter)	5	6	7 2:30 – 7:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	8 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	9	10 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Certificate Course on Updates on the Management of Common Urological Conditions
11 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. CCE Examiner Training Workshop (2 nd Case Discussion)	12	13	14 2:30 – 7:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	15 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Certificate Course on Common Mental Health Problems 8:30 p.m. HKCFP Council Meeting	16	17 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Certificate Course on Updates on the Management of Common Urological Conditions
18 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Conjoint Exam - KFP Segment	19	20	21 2:30 – 7:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	22 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	23	24 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Certificate Course on Updates on the Management of Common Urological Conditions 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. DFM Module III Structured Seminar
25 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Conjoint Exam - AKT Segment	26	27	28 2:30 – 7:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	29 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Structured Education Programme	30 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Video Session 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Pre Exit Exam Workshop	31 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Certificate Course on Bringing Better Health to Our Community 2024
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