

Council News

1. The Council **APPROVED**, on recommendation of the Membership Committee Chairman, the following applications for membership in January 2001 Council Meeting:-

Student Membership : Mr WONG Wing Kin, Sunny
Ms WU Hiu Lam, Helen

Affiliate Membership : Dr CHUNG Kwai Shek

Associate Membership : Dr CHAN Chi Keung
Dr CHAN Lap Kuen
Dr CHEUNG Chi Ming
Dr HO Chi Wing
Dr KWOK Chi Ki
Dr KWONG Wai Yan, Wayne
Dr LAU Cham Yat, Vincent
Dr LEE Kam Ha
Dr LEUNG Ho Yee, Christina
Dr AUNG Than (LIANG Hung Kuang)
Dr LIOU I Kae
Dr TAI Chun Chung
Dr TAM Yiu Pun
Dr TSANG Sik Hang, Shirley
Dr WAN Hung Hung
Dr YUNG Chi Yu

Foundation Fellow : Dr GRAHAM, Robert George
Batthews
(Transfer to Non-HKSAR Fellowship)

2. The 23rd Annual General Meeting was held on December 14, 2000 and the following Executives and Council Members were elected.

Dr Donald K T LI	(President)
Dr WONG Hung Wai	(Vice-President)
Dr IP Kit Kuen	(Hon Secretary)
Dr CHAN Hung Chiu	(Hon Treasurer)
Dr CHAN Kin Ling	(Council Member)
Dr David V K CHAO	(Council Member)
Dr Daniel W S CHU	(Council Member)
Dr Steven Y K HO	(Council Member)
Dr Betty K M KWAN	(Council Member)
Dr LEUNG Koon Chit	(Council Member)

We congratulate them and extend our hearty welcome to them.



The above photograph shows our Moderator, Dr Andy Cheung, presenting a souvenir to Dr Lo Wing Lok, the speaker at the AGM on 14 December, 2000.



The above photograph shows our President, Dr Donald K T Li, presenting a souvenir to our long serving Council Member, Dr Lam Tai Pong, who retired at the AGM.

3. At the first Council Meeting of 2001, the following were appointed as Chairmen for the year 2001.

Boards

Board of Examination
and Assessment
Board of Education
Board of Vocational
Training and Standards
Editorial Board

Chairmen

Dr WONG Hung Wai
Dr LO Chun Hung, Raymond
Dr LAM Tsan, Augustine
Dr David V K CHAO

Committees

Business Manager
Education Committee
(AM Affairs)
Finance Committee

Chairmen

Dr Raymond C H LO
Dr WONG Hung Wai
Dr CHAN Hung Chiu

Health Committee	Dr Eileen Y Y TSE
House Management Committee	Dr HO Kin Sang
Internal Affairs Committee	Dr Daniel W S CHU
Computer Committee	Dr Steven Y K HO
Research Committee	Dr David V K CHAO
Quality Assurance and Accreditation Committee	Dr CHAN Kwok Wai
Public Education Committee	Dr IP Kit Kuen
Membership Committee	Dr NG Chun Bor
Nomination Committee	Dr Keith K K TSE
Immediate Past President	Dr Stephen K S FOO



Have a look at the successful candidates of Year 2000.

Board of Censors

Prof Tony DIXON (Chief Censor)
 Prof James DICKINSON
 Dr Natalis C L YUEN

4. At an Extraordinary General Meeting of The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians held on December 14, 2000 at 9:40 pm at the Lecture Hall, The Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong, 4/F, Duke of Windsor Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, the amendments to the Articles of Association were passed as special resolution.



Secretariat staff take a break from the daily routine with the Chairman of House Management Committee, Dr Ho Kin Sang.

5. Our College held a Christmas gathering on December 29, 2000 attended by Council Members, Censors, Examiners of the Conjoint Examination Committee and College Secretariat. The successful candidates of the Fellowship Examination were invited to attend to meet the Council. We look forward to their contribution to College work in the future.

REGULATIONS FOR AWARD OF CERTIFICATE OF QUALITY ASSURANCE

(Academic Year: January 2001 – December 2001)



New and old Council Members meet together at the Christmas gathering on 29 December, 2000.

All Fellows and members of our College (except student & affiliate members) are automatically registered with the Quality Assurance Programme (QA) at the beginning of each academic year. Accreditation will be recorded throughout the year in the form of “credit points”. At the end of the academic year, summation of the total score will be recorded in the member’s record. A Certificate of Quality Assurance will be awarded to those Members and Fellows who have satisfied the requirements listed in Section 2 below, upon payment of an administrative fee of HK\$200. The total number of “credit points” accumulated will be endorsed on the Certificate as recognition of performance in Quality Assurance.

(1) The Award of the Certificate of Quality Assurance is open to all participants of the QA Programme. **Fellows and members of the HKCFP** must fulfill the requirements of the Certificate of Quality Assurance in order to maintain their active status. In addition, **Fellows of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (Family Medicine)** have to comply with the regulations set by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, which are summarized under section 3.

(2) The requirement for the award of the Certificate of Quality Assurance shall be **30 credit points** within the academic year. Fellows and members must participate in a **minimum of 3 different types of activities** to be eligible for the certificate, subject to the following provisions:—

2.1 **At least 5 credit points** must be obtained from the Continuous Professional Development (CPD) activities (listed in subsections 4.1 to 4.19).

2.2 **At least a combined total of 20 credit points** must be obtained from

- either the Continuous Professional Development activities (subsections 4.1 to 4.19) alone
- or from the CME activities organized by the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians (subsections 5.1 to 5.8)
- or any combination of the two

2.3 **A maximum of 15 credit points** will be considered for each subsection of educational activity

Please note that subsection 2.3 only applies to the calculation of the total credit points requirement for the award of the Certificate. When a participant qualifies to be awarded the Certificate, the actual number of credit points scored will be recorded on the Certificate.

(3) The Quality Assurance Programme of the HKAM consists of three-yearly cycles. All FHKAM (FM), including overseas fellows, are required to register with the Quality Assurance Programme at the beginning of each year (January). Accreditation will be recorded throughout the academic year in the form of credit points. The annual and total accumulative score of the 3-year cycle will be sent to the Fellows concerned after the end of each

academic year. As our College's Quality Assurance Programme is structured on a calendar year basis, the 3-year QA cycle for new HKAM fellows who are conferred between January 1 to June 30 will be adjusted back to January of the same year. For new fellows who are conferred between July 1 to December 31, the QA cycle will commence from January of the following academic year. All FHKAM (FM) are required to fulfill the following Quality Assurance criteria:

3.1 All AM Fellows must attain a minimum of 15 credit points in each year of the three-year cycle.

3.2 All AM Fellows must attain a minimum of 90 credit points over the three-year cycle.

3.3 No more than 50 credit points per 3-year cycle may be awarded for any one of the three main types of Quality Assurance activities (Continuous Professional Development, Continuing Medical Education and other Educational Activities).

(4) **Continuous Professional Development (CPD) with automatic computer record except for 4.17-4.19**

4.1 Up to 5 points may be awarded for acting as a mentor/clinical supervisor of vocational trainees in Family Medicine.

4.2 Up to 5 points may be awarded for teaching medical students in family medicine attachments upon receipt of the recommendations from the Universities before the end of the academic year.

4.3 Up to 5 points may be awarded for tutoring medical students in family medicine upon receipt of the recommendations from the Universities before the end of the academic year.

4.4 Up to 5 points may be awarded for passing each segment (55% or above) in the Primary Medical Care Certificate Assessment in Family Medicine, or for passing each segment (65% or above) of the Conjoint HKCFP/RACGP Fellowship Examination or for passing each segment of the Exit

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Assessment of the HKCFP Higher Vocational Training.

- 4.5 Up to 5 points may be awarded for acting as assessor for the Primary Medical Care Certificate Assessment in Family Medicine, as examiner for the Conjoint Fellowship Examination of the RACGP and the College, or as assessor of the Exit Assessment of HKCFP Higher Vocational Training.
 - 4.6 Up to 2 points may be awarded for passing the Cardiopulmonary resuscitation and basic life support (CPR) assessment organized by our College.
 - 4.7 Up to 5 credit points may be awarded for being a CPR Instructor or an instructor of the Distant Learning Courses organized by the College.
 - 4.8 Up to 5 points may be awarded for participating in a quality assurance workshop organized by our College.
 - 4.9 Up to 15 points may be awarded for the submission of a self-audit report on an evidence-based medical protocol, such as Eli Lilly Centre Audit Protocols, to the QA & A Committee. The protocols are available from the College Secretariat.
 - 4.10 Up to 5 points may be awarded to a College assigned practice visit upon submission of a written peer audit report to the QA & A Committee. The protocol is available from the College Secretariat.
 - 4.11 Up to 5 points may be awarded to a self-audit on the Prescription Pattern upon submission of a written report.
 - 4.12 Up to 5 points may be awarded to a self-audit on the Referral Pattern upon submission of a written report.
 - 4.13 Up to 5 points may be awarded to a self-audit on the Investigation Pattern upon submission of a written report.
 - 4.14 Up to one credit point may be awarded for being a moderator and up to 3 credit points for being a speaker for activities listed in subsections 5.3 to 5.5 and from 6.1 to 6.2 upon receipt of the recommendations from the organizing institutions before the end of the academic year.
 - 4.15 Up to one credit point may be awarded for being the chairperson/speaker of the pre-approved discussion group listed in subsection 5.6 upon receipt of the recommendations from the Board of Education before the end of the academic year.
 - 4.16 Up to 2 credit points may be awarded upon submission of a completed Professional Development Log after attending a continuous professional development activity organized by the College.
 - 4.17 Accreditation may be awarded for publishing journal articles, books or thesis with a maximum of 10 points for each journal article published in an indexed or refereed journals; a maximum of 10 points for publishing a medical book or thesis and a maximum of 5 points for each journal article published in other journals or publications not mentioned above. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application except for publications in the Hong Kong Practitioner, which will be automatically updated by the computer.
 - 4.18 Up to 5 points may be awarded for passing a professional examination relevant to General Practice/Family Medicine. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application.
 - 4.19 Accreditation may be given to participation in research work related to the field of General Practice. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application with a maximum of 4 points per quarter of data collection.
- (5) **Continuing Medical Education (CME) with automatic computer record**
- 5.1 One credit point may be awarded for each correct set of answers (with score of over 50%) to the MCQs enclosed in the College Journal, the Hong Kong Practitioner. Only

answers returned to the College within the specified time will be assessed.

- 5.2 Up to one credit point may be awarded for attending each video session organized by our College.
- 5.3 Up to two credit points may be awarded for attending each afternoon or evening lecture or seminar organized by our College.
- 5.4 Up to four credit points may be awarded for attending each half-day workshop or symposium organized by our College.
- 5.5 Up to 2 credit points may be awarded for attending each seminar and up to four credit points may be awarded for each Sunday workshop/symposium at the Annual Refresher Course organized by our College.
- 5.6 Up to one credit point may be awarded for participation in small discussion group that is pre-approved by our College's Board of Education.
- 5.7 Up to 12 credit points may be awarded for satisfactory completion of the full-year HKCFP "Check on Check" programme.
- 5.8 Up to 15 points may be awarded for each clinical attachment organized by our College.

(6) Other Educational Activities

Apart from educational functions organized by our College, medical education organized by other institutions and in other forms may be accredited CME points under the following guidelines:

- 6.1 Medical conferences organized by other Colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine may be accredited upon application for prior approval by the organizing institution. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee with a maximum of 10 points per meeting. Only functions with attendance records will be accredited. The computer will automatically update pre-approved functions.
- 6.2 Seminars/workshops/symposia/conferences/postgraduate courses in Family Medicine organized by other institutions may also be accredited upon application for prior approval by the organizing institution. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee with a maximum of 10 points per function. Only functions with attendance records will be accredited. The computer will automatically update pre-approved functions.
- 6.3 Up to 10 credit points may be awarded for satisfactory completion of the electronic MCQs on Internet web sites that are pre-approved by the Board of Education at 1 credit point for each correctly completed topic. Pre-approved functions will be automatically updated by the computer.
- 6.4 Accreditation may be awarded for attending overseas symposia/conferences etc. organized by sister WONCA Colleges. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application with a maximum of 10 points per meeting.
- 6.5 Accreditation may be awarded for attending postgraduate courses designed for general practitioners, e.g. Diploma courses and Master courses in Family Medicine. Award is normally given on completion of the course, unless the course lasts for more than 12 months and is taken and graded in sub-units. Photocopies of transcripts must be submitted with the application. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application with a maximum of 15 points per course.
- 6.6 Accreditation may be awarded for completion of Continuing Medical Education Programme of other Colleges of General Practice/Family Medicine. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application.

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6.7 Accreditation may be awarded for participating in health education for the public e.g. talking to school children as a physician, writing newspaper articles or appearing on television giving health education. The number of credit points awarded will be decided by the QA & A Committee only after individual application with a maximum of 2 points per activity.

For **Educational Activities** under Section 4.17-4.19 and under Sections 6.4-6.7, participants have to apply in writing with the appropriate fees to the Quality Assurance and Accreditation Committee at the end of the academic year and before January 15th of the following year if they want to obtain accreditation for their additional educational activities. It is the responsibility of the applicants to file the application forms for special consideration with details (photocopies of events, transcripts or published articles, etc.) and written proof of attendance issued by the organizing institutions in support of the application. The Quality Assurance and Accreditation Committee have the final right in deciding the number of credits awarded for each activity.

Board of Education News

1. The Board is pleased to announce that the ENT Unit of the Chinese University of Hong Kong will organize ENT Clinical Attachment for College members. The aim is to upgrade their skills in patient care. The programme will begin in April 2001 on every Tuesday or Friday from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. The whole attachment consists of 6 weekly sessions. There will be an additional orientation session at the beginning of each 6 week session on a Monday lunch time prior to the attachment. A certificate of attendance will be issued on satisfactory completion of the attachment.

Registration is open to all members on a first come first served basis. The capacity is limited to two members per session.

Venue : Prince of Wales Hospital, 1/F, ENT Counter, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic.

Course Fee : HK\$2,600 (After deductions for administration costs, all income will be donated to the ENT Unit, Department of Surgery, CUHK)

Accreditation : Up to 15 credit points (Category 5.8)

Registration : Please contact Ms Alice Ting at 2528 6618 for registration.

MARCH 6th, 2001 Tuesday

Common ENT Problems: Management of Tinnitus and Hearing Loss

Speaker : **Dr Wan Yiu Ming**,
MBBS(HK), DLO(Ireland), FRCS(Glasg),
FHKAM(Otorhinolaryngology)
Senior Medical Officer,
ENT, Yan Chai Hospital.

Venue : Staff Lounge, 1/F, Wai Oi Block, Caritas Medical Centre, 111 Wing Hong Street, Shamshuipo, Kowloon.

Time : 1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Light Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Talk
2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Discussion

Co-organizer : Caritas Medical Centre

Accreditation : 1 credit point (Category 5.3)

Registration/
Car-parking : Please contact Ms Helen Lo at 2746 7921 on or before March 6, 2001 for registration and parking permit.

MARCH 10th, 2001 Saturday

Infectious Disease: 9th Seminar of the Certificate Course in Internal Medicine for Family Physicians

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Details refer to the July edition 2000 of the Journal.

MARCH 14th, 2001 Wednesday

Common Orthopaedic Problems

Speaker : **Dr Tsang Wai Leuk**, FRCS(Edin),
FRCS Ed(Orth), FHKAM(Orth Surg)
Senior Medical Officer,
Department of Orthopaedics &
Traumatology,
Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern
Hospital.

Venue : Lecture Hall (Room: PB01.014), 1/F,
Pathology Block, Pamela Youde
Nethersole Eastern Hospital, 3 Lok Man
Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong.

Time : 1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Light Lunch
1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Talk
2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Discussion

Co-organizers : HK Doctors Union Ltd & Pamela Youde
Nethersole Eastern Hospital

Accreditation : 1 credit point (Category 5.3)

Registration/

Car-parking : Please contact Ms Michelle Lam at
25957143 on or before 12 March, 2001
for parking permit. Unregistered cars
may use visitors carpark at a charge.

VIDEO-CASSETTE VIEWING SESSIONS

The first series of the video-cassette viewing sessions will
run from **March to May 2001** and the programme in **March**
are as follows:–

Dates/Items No/Topics (Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)

Mar 1 (AIA) – Chest Pain of Moncardiac Origin:
Mar 2 (QEH) Evaluation and Management
Mar 21 (CUHK) 60 mins
Mar 23 (UH)

Mar 8 (AIA) – Consultations in Dermatology:
Mar 9 (QEH) Identifying and Treating Skin
Mar 28 (CUHK) Abnormalities
Mar 30 (UH) 60 mins

Mar 7 (CUHK) – Managing Diabetes in the Primary Care
Mar 9 (UH) Setting: A Team Approach
Mar 15 (AIA) 60 mins
Mar 16 (QEH)

Mar 2 (UH) – Management of Hepatitis C
Mar 14 (CUHK) 60 mins
Mar 22 (AIA)
Mar 23 (QEH)

Mar 7 (HOHCS) – Current Concepts in Hypertension
Mar 29 (AIA) 60 mins
Mar 30 (QEH)

CUHK – University Health Service,
University Residence 1, 5A, The Chinese
University of Hong Kong, Shatin, N.T.
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(parking spaces are available at the ground
level of the Residence No. 1)

AIA – Theatre II, 12/F, AIA Training Centre, AIA
Plaza, 18 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay,
Hong Kong.
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
(plenty of car-parks are available)

UH – Union Hospital, Seminar Room, 2/F,
Medical Centre, Union Hospital, 18 Fu Kin
Street, Tai Wai, Shatin, N.T.
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
(plenty of car-parks are available)

QEH – Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Lecture Room, G/F, Nursing School,
Kowloon.
(ten car-parks available, please call Ms Alice
Ting for reservation)
9:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

HOHCS – Haven of Hope Hospital
Function Room, 1/F, 8 Haven of Hope
Road, Tseung Kwan O, Kowloon.
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Accreditation : 1 credit point (Category 5.2) for each
session

Co-organizer : Queen Elizabeth Hospital

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Diary – February & March 2001

Dates & Time	Topics	Places
*February 17, 2001 (Sat) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Seamless and Holistic Primary Care – Role of a Primary Care Doctor	Function Room, 2/F, Hospital Authority Building.
*February 20, 2001 (Tues) 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Insight in the Management of Hypertension	Discussion Room, D1002, 1/F, Main Block, Tuen Mun Hospital.
*February 24, 2001 (Sat) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Evidence Based Medicine and Critical Appraisals	Function Room, 2/F, Hospital Authority Building.
Mar 3, 2001 (Sat) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Consultation and Communication Skills	Seminar Room 2, M/F, Hospital Authority Building, 147B Argyle Street, Kowloon.
Mar 6, 2001 (Tues) 1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Common ENT Problems: Management of Tinnitus and Hearing Loss	Staff Lounge, 1/F, Wai Oi Block, Caritas Medical Centre, 111 Wing Hong Street, Kowloon.
Mar 10, 2001 (Sat) 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Infectious Diseases: 9th Seminar of the Certificate Course in Internal Medicine for Family Physicians	2/F, Ballroom, Great Eagle Hotel, 8 Peking Road, Kowloon.
Mar 14, 2001 (Wed) 1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Common Orthopaedic Problems	Lecture Hall (Room: PB01.014), 1/F, Pathology Block, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, 3 Lok Man Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong.
Mar 17, 2001 (Sat) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Medical Records and Practice Management	Activity Room 1-3, M/F, Hospital Authority Building.

P.S. *Please refer to the January edition of the Journal

(i) Seating capacity has maximum limit. First come first served. Please make your booking as soon as possible.

(ii) Those who have signed in the registration form for lunch, please report to the registration desk for meal stickers.