

# The Hong Kong College of Psychiatrists

## Newsletter

#1-2003

### Happy Chinese New Year!

10 March 2003

#### Sponsorship

**2nd Asia-Pacific Remeron Scientific Expert Meeting  
Shanghai, China  
from 10- 13 April 2003**

Organon (HK) Ltd would like to offer 4 sponsorships to Fellow(s) / Member(s) / Inceptor(s) of our College to attend the above conference. The sponsorship includes registration fee, accommodation and return air tickets. Please apply through the Honorary Secretary on or before 24 March 2003. The selection criteria will follow the scoring system posted on our College's website.

Those interested should write to Dr Desmond Nguyen, c/o Dept of Psychiatry, Kowloon Hospital (or **fax to 27114601**). For scoring purpose (please refer to college's web site for details of scoring scheme), please state in your application (1) whether you are a Fellow, Member or Inceptor of the College; (2) when you were last sponsored by the College to attend conferences / meetings; (3) your present post / years of post-Part II experience (UK or HK Part II); (4) whether you are an Office -bearer/a Council Member /a Chairman or Member of Standing Committee of the College; (5) your subspecialty (one only) or field of knowledge (one only) and whether you are serving in private or public sector; (6) whether you are going to present a paper in that conference / meeting (*documentation required*). Applications with incomplete information will not be processed. **If you do not receive a reply (written or verbal) from the Honorary Secretary, please call Miss Miranda Lo at 31296432 to make sure that your application has been received.**

**Dear All**

**Please kindly take note of the following issue related to the College and we would also like to take the opportunity to wish you a very prosperous Year of the Ram.**

#### **1. Announcement of New Council and Standing Committees**

##### **Council**

President

(2002 - 2004): Dr LO Chun Wai

(2002 - 2005): Prof CHUNG Ka Fai  
 (2002 - 2005): Dr LUI Sing Heung  
 (2002 - 2005): Dr LUK Siu Luen  
 (2002 - 2005): Dr NG Yin Kwok  
 (2002 - 2005): Prof Gabor UNGVARI  
 Prof Helen CHIU, MH  
 (Ex-officio)

<b>Standing Committees</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>
Fellowship Selection Committee	Chairman	Dr C W Lo
Education Committee	Chairman	Dr T L Lo
Board of Examiners	Chairman	Dr K K Yu
Publications Committee	Chairman	Prof Eric Y H Chen
Review Committee	Chairman	Dr S F Hung
Scientific Committee	Chairman	Dr Y K Ng
Public Awareness Committee	Chairman	Dr S L Luk
Ethics Committee	Chairman	Dr S F Hung

## **2. Communication by internet.**

All Fellows, Members, Inceptors and Affiliates are invited to send their E-mail address to the Hon. Secretary via psychiatry@hongkong.com. The exercise is strictly voluntary and aims at improving communication with individual subscribers by electronic means. The information collected will only be used for College-related activities.

## **3. Nomination of Fellows in private practice for Mental Health Review Tribunal**

From time to time, the College is approached for the nomination of Fellows in private practice to sit on the Mental Health Review Tribunal. Therefore, Fellows in private practice is encouraged to write to the Hon. Secretary to express their interests should they wish to be considered in future rounds of nomination.

## **4. Medical sports day**

The Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong have invited us to participate in the Medical Sports Day. Participants can either take part in their own capacity or as representative of the College. The entry deadline is 31 March 2003.

## **5. New correspondence address of the Hong Kong Psychogeriatric Association**

Department of Psychiatry, The Chinese University of Hong Kong,  
 Tai Po Hospital, 9, Chuen On Road, Tai Po, New Territories,  
 Hong Kong.  
 Tel 26076027 Fax 26671255

## **6. Proposed new scoring scheme for College sponsorship**

The Council is considering to revise the scoring scheme as follows to facilitate the attainment of sponsorship by applicants from different training status. Please kindly write to the Honorary Secretary to reflect your opinion before 30 April 2003. Meanwhile, the current scoring scheme (please refer to the College's website) will be in effect till further

announcement.

### Proposed Scoring System for sponsorship applicant \*

1. Never been sponsored in past 36 months	40
Never been sponsored in past 24 months	30
Never been sponsored in past 12 months	20
Been sponsored in past 12 months	0
2. Fellow	10
Member/Inceptor	5
3. Contribution to College	
Office-bearers	15
<u>or</u> Chairman of Subcommittee / Council Member	10
<u>or</u> Subcommittee Member of the College	5
4. Presenting a paper (or poster presentation)	20**
5. Specification by sponsor	10***

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1. Only fellows, Members and Inceptors can receive sponsorship through this scheme.
2. In case of tie, the Council may accord points.

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3. The Council reserves the right to accord points on this item in relation to the scale and complexity of the presentation. In general, 20 points will be awarded to a paper presentation and 10 points will be awarded to a poster presentation.

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4. If there is any criteria stipulated by the sponsor, it should be restricted to the general category of the applicant's nature of practice (public/private) and subspecialty or field of knowledge. The stipulation aims at choosing the candidate likely to benefit most from the function regarding its specific theme and focus. The restrictive criteria held by the sponsor should not deviate from the principle of delinking direct interest conferment from the sponsor to the recipient.

### 7. Coming international events

1st International Conference on The Role of Health and Culture in Conflict Resolution co-sponsored by The World Psychiatric Association With The World Health Organization's participation. (Malta, 9 - 11 June 2003)

The 14 th International Symposium for the Psychological Treatment of Schizophrenia and Other Psychoses. (Melbourne, Australia. 22 - 25 September 2003)

The Third International Expert Review of Bipolar Disorders. (Munich, Germany. 6 - 8 April 2003)

The American Psychiatric Association Conference. (San Francisco, United States. 17-22 May 2003)

Please contact the Hon. Secretary for details through the correspondence address at the first page of the newsletter for details of the above issues.

Thank you for your attention

Best wishes

Dr Desmond NGUYEN  
Honorary Secretary