



**Newsletter
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9 March 2006

Dear Fellows, Members, Inceptors and Affiliates,

Please take note of the following announcements:

I. Enhancement of the Public Awareness Committee

In the Council Meeting held on 2 March 2006, it was resolved that the role of the Public Awareness Committee should be enhanced to raise the professional image of psychiatry and to serve the general public better through a proactive public education approach. To this end, the College desires to recruit more members into the Public Awareness Committee and would like to invite all interested fellows, members and inceptors to participate.

Interested fellows, members and inceptors should contact Dr. SY Chan, Chairman of the Public Awareness Committee at drsychan@netvigator.com

II. Invitation to be Examiners for Psychiatry OSCE in the Final MB, BS Examination, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU

The Department of Psychiatry of the University of Hong Kong would like to invite members of the Hong Kong College of Psychiatrists to act as Examiners for the Psychiatry OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination). The details are:

Date : Thursday 30 March 2006.
Time : 0930 – 1230 (AM session) and 230 - 530pm (PM session)
**Venue : Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine,
21 Sassoon Road, The University of Hong Kong**

CME / honorarium: CME points (3 points - ½ day, 6 points - full day) are being applied for all Examiners. Private sector non-HKU colleagues may also be eligible for a University honorarium.

Briefing sessions: Two briefing sessions for prospective examiners have been arranged as follow:

Session One:

Date: March 17th, 2006 (Friday)
Time: 2:30-3:30 pm
Venue: Telemedicine Centre, 2/F William MW Mong Building, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam, Hong Kong.
Speaker: Professor ML Ng

Session Two:

Date: March 23th, 2006 (Thursday)
Time: 3:30 – 4:00 pm
Venue: J2 Seminar Room, 2/F, Block J, Queen Mary Hospital, Pokfulam, Hong Kong.
Speaker: Dr. SE Chua

All prospective OSCE Examiners, especially those who have not received any training in assessing candidate performance at OSCE are encouraged to attend the briefing.

Inquiries from Members: Ms. Bonnie Choi, Executive Officer (Academic), Department of Psychiatry, HKU at bwschoi@hkucc.hku.hk or Telephone: 2855-4488.

III. Notes from the Education Committee

For Fellows of the College

1. The Academy CME/CPD Office will issue a yearly CME/CPD Status Report for individual Academy Fellows from 2006. Fellows can confirm his/her CME/CPD status on the Academy Membership and Learning Management System website mlms.org.hk upon receipt of the Status Report which will replace the annual College CME report from 2007.
2. The College Education Committee will continue to facilitate the annual CME/CPD return by individual Fellows. The College accredited CME/CPD points will be uploaded yearly to individual Fellows' account on mlms via Academy CME/CPD Office.
3. Should Fellows decide to activate his/her mlms account, Ms. Kristy CHEUNG of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine can be contacted at 28718897 or at kristy@hkam.org.hk for assistance.

For Members and Inceptors of the College

1. Members and Inceptors of the College are considered as non-specialists and their CME scores would ultimately be captured by the Medical Council of Hong Kong upon their application to join its CME program for non-specialists.
2. For Members and Inceptors who opted the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine as their CME administrator, the College Education Committee will facilitate their annual CME return to the Medical Council of Hong Kong on behalf of the Academy.
3. In this process, some members and inceptors may find discrepancies as to the CME scores for certain events. CME scores of one event for attending non-specialists (granted by the Medical Council of Hong Kong) may differ from CME scores for the same event for attending Fellows (granted by Hong Kong College of Psychiatrists). Therefore, Members and Inceptors should refer the accredited CME score for individual activity by the Medical Council of Hong Kong.
4. For complete listing of accredited CME activities, Members and Inceptors can look up the website of the Medical Council of Hong Kong at mchk.org.hk.

Thank you for your attention



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