

HKCOS Newsletter



THE YEAR OF CHALLENGE

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Year 2019 was a year of challenge. The severity of social unrest has never been encountered by majority of Hong Kong citizens. The violence and difference in opinion has split the society. Economy and life of general public are significantly affected.

In the fourth quarter of 2019, many academic activities (including the HKCOS 15th Rehabilitation Symposium) were cancelled. Exit examination of a few sister colleges were postponed. Temporary closure of universities and some of the hospitals were required.

The missions of the HKCOS are to conduct professional examinations in orthopaedic surgery and to foster the continuing medical education of orthopaedic surgeons. Despite the challenges, the council is determined to safeguard our missions with all possible measures.

It is decided that the JSF examination in orthopaedic surgery will be conducted as planned in May 2020 in Hong Kong. Contingency plans are prepared to tackle the potential problems that may occur, including the remote possibility that no external examiner is able to come to Hong Kong. Post-fellowship medical education, both in the forms of academic meeting and possible online education, will be conducted regularly.



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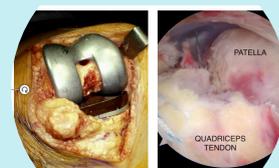
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Memorial service of Dr. HSU Che Shek Louis

10 am; January 3rd 2020

St Joseph Church,
Garden Road, HK



HKCOS Post-fellowship Educational Day in KNEE - DAY 2

Date: February 1st 2020

Time: 11 am - 1 pm

Venue: F3, QEH



2nd HKCOS Medical Education Forum

Date: February 1st 2020

Time: 10 am - 11 am

Venue: F3, QEH

HKCOS Medical Education Forum



The first HKCOS Medical Education Forum was held successfully in Queen Elizabeth Hospital on September 28th 2019. There were a total of 103 participants, including 56 fellows and 47 trainees. Two agenda were discussed on that day: (1) Specialist training for non-locally trained doctors; and (2) Review of training curriculum of HKCOS orthopaedic specialist training.

Concerning the agenda on “Specialist training for non-locally trained doctors”, 14 participants gave their opinion. These included 3 trainee (including both basic and higher orthopaedic trainee) and 11 fellows (including young fellows, fellows who are actively practising in public and private sector, and retired fellow). All, except one fellow, supported the continuation of the existing HKCOS training regulation that only doctors having full registration in the Medical Council of Hong Kong can be enrolled in the orthopaedic training provided by the College.

Concerning the agenda on “review of training curriculum of HKCOS training”, Dr. YK Chan, the Chief censor, briefed the audience a review on the orthopaedic training curriculum of a number of English speaking countries. There was discussion on the future direction of basic orthopaedic training and the working relationship with

Hong Kong Intercollegiate Board of Surgical Colleges. However, there was not enough time to go into discussion of higher orthopaedic training.

To continue the discussion of the review of training curriculum (both basic and higher orthopaedic training), the second HKCOS Medical Education Forum is scheduled to be held on February 1st 2020 (Saturday) in F3 Lecture Theatre of Queen Elizabeth Hospital after the Saturday Inter-hospital meeting on that day.

Post-fellowship Educational Day in KNEE

The first post-fellowship educational day in KNEE was held on December 28th 2019 in QEH. The theme of the first Educational Day in KNEE was primary anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction. The length of the Educational Day was 2.5-hour. A total of 10 didactic lectures were delivered by 7 local speakers. There were more than 30 registrations on that day.



In view of the likely persistent social unrest in HK, measures are taken to increase the sustainability of the post-fellowship educational day. It is decided that the post-fellowship educational day in KNEE in 2020 will be conducted once every two months as a 2-hour teaching activity after the Saturday inter-hospital meeting. The second post-fellowship educational day in KNEE will be held in F3, QEH at 11 am on February 1st 2020.

WITH OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES – IN MEMORY OF DR LOUIS HSU

I am sad to inform you that Dr HSU Che Shek Louis, foundation fellow of our college and previous medical director of Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital, passed away on 23rd December 2019.

Dr Hsu graduated from the University of Hong Kong in 1968. He joined the Department of Orthopaedics, HKU in 1971. Dr. Hsu was appointed as the medical director of DKCH from 1978 to 1990 and the director of Canossa Hospital Orthopaedic Center from 2011 to 2019. Dr. Hsu served the orthopaedic community of Hong Kong as the President of the Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association from 1981 to 1982, the Vice President of the Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons from 1993 to 1995 and the founding chairman of Public Information Committee of HKCOS.

The memorial service of Dr. Hsu will be held in St Joseph Church, Garden Road at 10:00 am on January 3rd 2020.