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Dear Basic Surgical Trainees,

Provisional Granting of Higher Surgical Trainee Status

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The outbreak of COVID-19 has caused postponement of Colleges activities and examinations including the HKICBSC Membership Examinations Part 1 to 3 in February and March this year. In consideration of the impact of the pandemic on the training and progression of Basic Surgical Trainees, the Hong Kong Intercollegiate Board of Surgical Colleges (HKICBSC) has reached consensus on the following eligibility and arrangements with the Hospital Authority in regard to the granting of Provisional Higher Surgical Trainee (HST) Status.

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Trainees who fulfill the following requirements will be eligible for applying for the Provisional Post of Higher Surgical Trainee:

1. Passed the HKICBSC Membership Examinations Part 1 and 2.
2. Will have completed 2 years of Basic Surgical Training and fulfilled all the training requirements by end of June 2020.
3. Successfully obtained a Higher Surgical Training post from an approved training unit/institution in Hong Kong in the Conjoint Selection Exercise (CSE) of HST held by HAHO and the College.
4. Obtained the support from the parent hospital for the application.

The conditions governing the grant of Provisional HST post are as follows:

1. Trainees who are granted Provisional HST status are required to pass the next available HKICBSC Membership Examination Part 3, otherwise they will be reverted back to the status of Basic Surgical Trainees. Since they are selected in the CSE, therefore it will not affect their opportunity for attempting subsequent CSEs.
2. Trainees attending the CSE on 18 & 19 May 2020 will have priority in post allocation over those who have not passed the HKICBSC Membership Examination Part 3.

3. If the trainee fails in the next available HKICBSC Membership Examination Part 3, his/her Provisional HST status will cease and the trainee will rotate back to his/her parent clinical department.
4. Trainees who are selected in the additional Conjoint Selection Exercise held in mid-June 2020 will start higher surgical training in July 2020:
 - For those who have passed HKICBSC Membership Examinations Part 1 to 3 will be offered HST status.
 - For those who have only passed HKICBSC Membership Examinations Part 1 and 2 will be offered Provisional HST status until passing of the next available HKICBSC Examination Part 3.
5. Trainees who are considered below standard in the CSE will need to submit remedial plan.
6. Trainees who are not selected in this CSE will continue Basic Surgical Training and need to apply CSE in the future.

An additional Conjoint Selection Exercise will be organized in mid-June 2020 for trainees who met the above eligibility. The Hospital Authority will send the application details shortly.

Should there be any queries, please contact the HKICBSC Secretariat on 2871 8794 or 2871 8754.

With Best Wishes.

Yours faithfully,



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