Announcement

2007 Annual Subscription

Fellows are reminded that their 2007 Annual Subscriptions were due on 1 January 2007. Fellows should receive a debit note from the Academy or the College. Please be reminded that it is Council’s policy that all subscription will be subjected to a surcharge of 5% if it is not settled before June 30. For those who have not received the debit note, please contact the College office immediately.

New College Staff

My name is Stella Chan. I am glad to take this opportunity to say Hi to you. First of all, I would like to say “Kung Hei Fat Choi” and hope you have a prosperous and healthy year of Pig. I joined the College as Executive Secretary at the beginning of 2007 and am delighted to provide support to all of you. In case you need any assistance related to the College matters, please feel free to contact me.

Coming Events

The 21st Congress of International Association of Paediatric Dentistry (IAPD)
13-17 June 2007 Hong Kong
Website: www.iapd2007.com Email: info@iapd2007.com

2nd International Conference on Evidence-Based Advanced Dentistry
16-19 November 2007 Hong Kong
http://dent25.hkm.hk/congress/index.htm

Kung Hei Fat Choi

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NEWSLETTER

The College of Dental Surgeons of Hong Kong
February 2007

Dear Fellows,

I am privileged and honored to lead the Council of College of Dental Surgeons for the year 2006-2007. As we moved into 14 years of college establishment, 8 dental specialties have now been formed; both training pathways and examinations are now in place and order in accordance to the ordinance. I pledged to follow my forebears in upholding the quality of postgraduate education and advancement of professional development in dentistry by close collaboration with the major stake-holders such as the Faculty of Dentistry of The University of Hong Kong, Department of Health, the Dental Council of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Dental Association and the Special Societies. We shall continue to foster close linkage with our sister college The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and our mainland institutions in establishing Hong Kong as a post-graduate dental hub for the Asia Pacific region.

Since the beginning of the establishment of the College in 1993, one of our major roles was to raise standards amongst the dental profession for the benefit of our patients. Since the Specialty of Family Dentistry was established by the tremendous efforts of Professor Tak Chow, there still seems to be a gap left behind between the general dental practitioners and specialists - an academic home where we can nurture the next generation of dentists into better professional life after graduation from their undergraduate training. We hope our general dental practitioner colleagues see us as partners in providing high quality dental services to our patients. Nowadays, sharing knowledge, information and expertise should not be a monopoly.

As a CME/CPD provider, this year we will continue to host the Spring Scientific Meeting in April. Our Autumn scientific meeting in November shall be a conjoint Congress with the Faculty of Dentistry. Top international speakers were invited in both events with efforts made by the Scientific Committee headed by Professor Edward Lo. We are also planning a golf tournament and gala dinner party during the Conjoint Congress for the Fellows and family.

Dr. William Yung will be heading a team in writing a history about Dentistry in Hong Kong. This would be one of first book published by the College since inception.

We welcome Ms. Stella Chan as our new Executive Secretary in replacement for Ms. Ada Houn who left us for better promotion prospects after many years of service to our College. Stella is working along side with Ms. Ling Chow in our Secretariat in the College Council Chamber.

Dr. John Ling
President (2006-2007)
New College Council For The Year 2006-7

It is my pleasure to inform you of our new Council for the year 2006-7 with immediate effect as follows:

President: Dr John Y.K. Ling
1st Vice-President: Dr Joseph C.Y. Chan
2nd Vice-President: Dr Roch K.H. Lee
Honorary Secretary: Dr Anthony S.K. Tse
Honorary Treasurer: Dr Michael N.Y. Chau
Censor-in-Chief: Dr William C.W. Yung
Councillors: Dr Sai-kwong Chan
Dr Alex W.K. Chan
Dr Wai-keung Leung
Dr Sai-kwong Chan
Prof Edward C.M. Lo
Dr Alfred C.C. Tsang
Dr Bill S.W. Yan
Dr Eddie C.K. Yau

A New Specialty - Community Dentistry

Working closely with the Education Committee of the College, over the last two years, a group of our College Fellows who have received formal training in Community Dentistry (Dental Public Health) have been writing and amending the necessary documents for the establishment of a new specialty in our College. The new specialty is named “Community Dentistry”. The most important document, Guidelines for Accreditation and Training in Community Dentistry (the Guidelines), has been approved by our College Council and finally approved by the Council of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine at its meeting on 21 September 2006. Community Dentistry is now the 8th Specialty of our College. According to clause 13 in the Guidelines, existing College Fellows can apply to become the First Fellows in this new specialty. Fellows are being invited to apply for admission as the First Fellows in Community Dentistry. A vetting committee consisting of Dr. Joseph Chan, Prof. Urban Hagg, and Dr. Bill Yan has been appointed by the College Council to vet the applications. A new Specialty Board of Community Dentistry will be established in due course this year.

Messages from the Specialty Boards

Specialty Board in Prosthodontics
The Boards had just held its Conjoint MOrth/Intermediate Examination on 16 & 18 October 2006. 6 candidates enrolled in Part II. All candidates passed the examination.

Specialty Board in Orthodontics
Conjoint MOrth/Intermediate Part I and II Examinations were conducted on 12 – 14 October 2006. The candidates came from China, Malaysia, India, United Kingdom, and Sri Lanka. Eleven out of the twelve candidates passed the examination.

Specialty Board in Paediatric Dentistry
Conjoint MDP Examination was conducted on 13, 16 – 17 October 2006 and 4 candidates enrolled in Part II. 3 candidates passed the examination.

Specialty Board in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
Conjoint MOS Examination was conducted on 6 & 10 October 2006 and 8 candidates enrolled in Part II. Apart from local candidates, some candidates came from Thailand and Singapore. 7 candidates passed the examination. Exit Examination in OMS was conducted on 5 & 9 October 2006 and 3 candidates sat for it and all passed the examination. All of them are eligible for becoming Fellows of CDSHK.

List of Pre-approved Overseas Organizations

- Specialty Board in Endodontics
- American Association of Endodontists
- Asian Pacific Endodontic Confederation
- Australian Society of Endodontology
- British Endodontic Society
- Canadian Academy of Endodontics
- European Society of Endodontology
- International Federation of Endodontics Associations
- Specialty Board in Family Dentistry
- Academy of Dental Materials
- Academy of Operative Dentistry
- American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry
- American Academy of Orofacial Pain
- British Academy of Aesthetic Dentistry
- British Society for Restorative Dentistry
- British Society for the Study of Prosthetic Dentistry
- Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons
- Society for the Advancement of Anaesthesia in Dentistry
- Specialty Board in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
- Asian Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
- British Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
- International Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
- Specialty Board in Orthodontics
- All International, Regional and National Societies/Association in Orthodontics/Orthodontists or Academies of Orthodontics
- Specialty Board in Paediatric Dentistry
- American Academy of Paediatric Dentistry
- European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry
- International Association of Paediatric Dentistry
- Paediatric Dentistry Association of Asia
- Specialty Board in Periodontology
- All International, Regional and National Societies in Periodontology or Academies of Periodontology
- European Association for Osseointegration
- Specialty Board in Prosthodontics
- All National Prosthodontic Society/Association
- Academy of Osseointegration USA
- European Association of Osseointegration
- Australian Association of Osseointegration

The list is by no means exhaustive. Our CME Subcommittee will periodically invite each and every Specialty Board to comment and review on them again, and to make amendments whenever necessary. If any Fellow, who in his/her opinion thinks that certain organization or association has been missing from the above, please put them forward to your own Specialty Board for consideration.