

Committee of General Dentistry The College of Dental Surgeons of Hong Kong

Dear Colleagues,

I would like to update you regarding the CPD cycle for MGD holders.

According to the Guidelines for Accreditation and Training In General Dentistry Section E on Diploma Maintenance, all holders of the Diploma of Member in General Dentistry are required to maintain their diploma by

- 1. Paying annual fee which is due on 1st Jan each year. There is a grace period of six months.
- 2. Participating in recurrent CPD cycle as prescribed by the CME Sub-committee of the CDSHK and
- 3. Fulfilling other requirements as specified by the Committee of General Dentistry

All holders who fail to comply with the CPD cycle and / or other requirements for diploma maintenance will subject to forfeiting the diploma as recommended by the Committee of General Dentistry.

Readmission may be considered if appropriate remedial actions are taken and is to the satisfactions of the Committee of General Dentistry.

Regarding this, please note the followings:-

- 1. The CPD cycle starts on 1st Jan., 2008 and ends on 31st Dec., 2010. For those who are admitted after 1st Jan., 2008 will enter the same CPD cycle and the requirement will be on a pro-rata basis according to the years or months left.
- 2. The Council has also resolved that the first CPD cycle will start from 1 Jan 2008 for 3 years, with 60 points per cycle. The aim should be an average of 20 CPD points per year, with a maximum of 50 points from passive participation and a minimum of 10 points from other activities. The College is an accredited CPD administrator of the Dental Council of Hong Kong CPD programme. For details, you can download the "Principles & Guidelines on CME/CPD 2005 "in the College website i.e. www.cdshk.org.hk. Please note that there are maximum CPD

points claimable in different categories.

As the CPD requirement for MGD exceeds that required by the Dental Council CPD

programme, you may also choose to enroll with the Dental Council of Hong Kong CPD

Programme as well. There should be no charge for our members in participating in the two

programmes.

4. At the end of the cycle, MGD holders are required to present the CPD records to

College CME sub-committee for verification. The records can be in a form of report

issued by any one of the three CPD administrators. Because of the specific CPD

requirements, MGD holders are RQUIRED to enroll to the College as CPD

administrator to ease the administrative process. The service of CPD administration for

MGD holders is free.

4. If you are retiring or moving aboard, you can apply for exemption of the CPD

requirement but you still have to pay the annual subscriptions.

5. In case the MGD holders fails to comply, it is the CME sub-committee policy that only

for those have fulfilled at least 2/3 of the requirements will be allowed to do remedial.

6. Please be reminded the diploma maintenance policy will be strictly enforced.

7. Please be also reminded that the CPD requirement for diploma maintenance may

change in the next cycle to make it in line with other members and fellows categories.

For further information and enquires, you are always welcome to contact our secretariat at

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