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*Dear Fellows and Colleagues,*

Summer is here! It's getting hot and humid. I urge everyone to take care of themselves and their families by keeping well hydrated and staying cool (body and mind).

To maintain consistently high-quality professional care requires, among many other factors, good medical leadership and good team leaders in professional activities. From my own observations and experience as President of the Academy, I would say that transformative, or transformational, leadership is an indispensable feature in networked and globally aware organisations today. At the International Medical Leaders Forum 2015 organised by the World Federation of Medical Managers (WFMM), I had the chance to speak to local and international participants, emphasising the urgent need for clear, coordinated, and time-sensitive leadership structures to maximise quality, efficiency, and patient satisfaction.

In light of the recent MERS cases taking place in South Korea, Hong Kong's Secretary for Food and Health Ko Wing-man has taken lead to implement a new mechanism to notify travellers of health risks.

In May, I led a delegation to visit the simulation training centre at the Center for Medical Simulation (CMS) in Boston to explore closer collaboration between HKAM and CMS in medical simulation training and education. During the visit, I was invited to unveil a plaque of the Observation Room which is dedicated to HKAM for our support and collaboration with the CMS. The delegation also paid a visit to the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (HSPH) and met with Dean Julio Frenk, as well as Members of FXB Center for Health and Human Rights. Progress on the Hong Kong Jockey Club Disaster Preparedness and Response Institute (HKJC DPRI) project was updated at a lunch meeting, and we expect even closer working relationship between HKJC DPRI and Harvard. The delegation ended the visit with a meeting with Executive Director of Ariadne Labs, Dr Atul Gawande. Ariadne Labs is committed to creating scalable healthcare solutions that produce better care at the most critical moments in people's lives everywhere. Dr Gawande is famous for his work in enhancing safety during surgery by the use of the 'check list'. His recent book *Being Mortal* which is not only about dying and the limits of medicine but about living to the last with autonomy, dignity, and joy. He will visit the Academy on 12 November 2015 and give us a lecture on "Medicine and What Matters in the End". We look forward to the talk.

HKJC DPRI is an important component of our Academy, with a mission of advancing disaster preparedness and response training in Hong Kong and beyond. The Institute, partnering with the Hong Kong College of Emergency Medicine, will be hosting the 1st Annual Conference on Disaster Preparedness and Response to be held on 30 October – 1 November 2015. The theme is "From Community to Emergency Room". We are all very excited to witness the progress led by Dr Kevin Hung and his team. Kevin has worked very hard to plan an exciting scientific programme for you. Please mark your diary and join us for this important event.

I am sure many of you will be taking a well-deserved summer holiday! Have a great time!



*Outside the building of Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health*

*Dr Donald Li  
President*

## COUNCIL NEWS

### Election of Council Members

The term of office of the 5 elected Council members will expire at the conclusion of this year's annual general meeting. Election process will start in July, and results will be announced at the AGM to be held in December 2015. Fellows will receive the nomination form shortly. Completed nomination form must reach the Academy office before 5 pm on 18 September 2015.

### Admission of Fellows (EGM)

A total of 108 new Fellows were admitted at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 18 June 2015.

### Outstanding Fellows Honoured on the HKSAR Establishment Day 2015

Warmest congratulations to the following Academy's distinguished Fellows, who were recognised with honours at the 18th Anniversary of the HKSAR Establishment Day (1 July).

Silver Bauhinia Star (SBS)	Prof Raymond Hin-suen LIANG (Past President, HKAM)
Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS)	Dr David Ka-yan LEE (Hong Kong College of Paediatricians) Dr Stanley Ching-hing MA (Hong Kong College of Family Physicians)
Medal of Honour (MH)	Dr Sau-ying TUNG (Hong Kong College of Community Medicine)
Chief Executive's Commendation for Community Service	Dr John Tai-hung WONG (Hong Kong College of Physicians) Dr James Chi-sang CHAN (Hong Kong College of Radiologists)
Justices of the Peace (JP)	Prof John Yat-chiu CHAI (College of Dental Surgeons of Hong Kong) Dr Kin-sang CHAN (Hong Kong College of Physicians) Prof Gabriel Matthew LEUNG (Hong Kong College of Community Medicine) Dr Stewart Yuk TUNG (Hong Kong College of Radiologists) Dr Albert Wai-cheung YUEN (The College of Surgeons of Hong Kong)

### MPS-HKAM Excellence in Patient Safety Award

This Award is jointly organised by the Medical Protection Society and the Academy. Application will close on 15 September 2015. Please visit the Academy website for details.

### Annual Subscriptions

Demand notes for the 2015 subscriptions have been sent to Fellows in January 2015. Fellows who have not settled their subscription before 30 June should have received a demand note for subscription and surcharge. Please settle as soon as possible.

Reminder:

1. All payments must be received by the Academy before 30 September. According to Bylaw 6.4:  
If a member's fee or any other moneys due by a member to the Academy is not received by the Academy within 9 months after such payment falls due, despite two written reminders by the Academy to pay, the member shall automatically forfeit his membership.
2. It is Council's policy that late subscriptions received by the Academy after 30 June will be subject to a surcharge of 5% on the subscription amount.
3. For Fellows who have authorised payment via bank transfer / credit card, payments will be deducted from their bank accounts or credit card automatically.
4. Fellows aged over 70, or have reached 70 before the beginning of the next subscription year, do not need to pay any subscription and will not receive a debit note.
5. Fellows residing outside Hong Kong or have reached the age of 65 and have retired from all remunerative practice/job/business must submit written applications for reduced rates before 31 December if they wish to enjoy the reduced rates next year. For details, please visit [http://www.hkam.org.hk/fellows\\_area/reduced\\_rate.pdf](http://www.hkam.org.hk/fellows_area/reduced_rate.pdf)

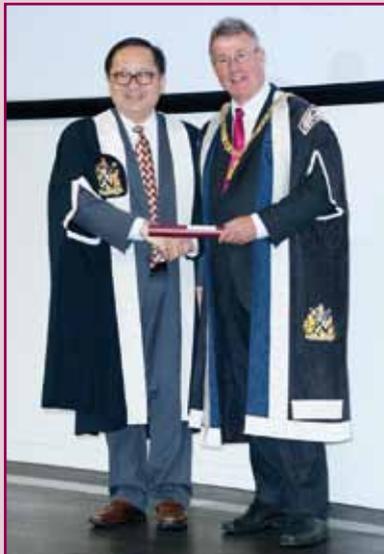
## President Conferred Honorary Fellowship by the Royal College of General Practitioners

Dr Donald Li was conferred Honorary Fellowship by President of the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP), Prof Mike Pringle during its Awards and Fellowship Conferment of the Spring General Meeting held in London on 15 May 2015.

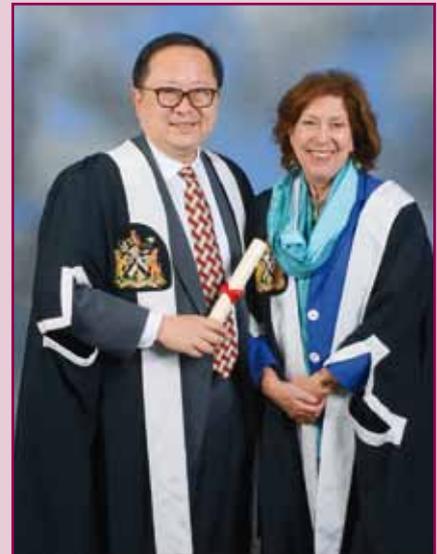
Honorary Fellowship is the College's most important award, given for outstanding work towards the objectives of the College. It can be awarded to doctors and non-doctors from the UK and overseas.



*President is awarded the Honorary Fellowship of RCGP in recognition of his distinguished service and significant contributions to the improvement of global health care through family medicine*



*With Prof Mike Pringle*



*With Prof Val Wass*

### Prof. Donald Li

*(Donald Li was appointed to Honorary Fellowship in absentia at the 2014 Annual General Meeting and will be presented with this Honorary Fellowship today.)*

One rarely encounters a CV of an internationally practising GP as impressive and influential as that of Prof. Donald Li. While remaining in active single-handed family medicine practice in Hong Kong, he continues to offer high-quality continuity of care to devoted patients. At the same time, he has developed an outstanding national and international profile, and personally has impacted very significantly on primary care worldwide, including the international work of this College.

His eminent position within Hong Kong demonstrates his exceptional leadership and wise counsel. It is truly awesome. The Hong Kong SAR government appointed him as a Justice of the Peace in 2006. Subsequent awards include the Silver Bauhinia Star in 2011 and the Order of St John for the St John's Council of Hong Kong in 2012. He is currently President of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, the overarching body responsible for the postgraduate training of 15 specialties. For a GP to be elected to this august position is probably unique.

His skills as a GP are widely acclaimed internationally. He holds Honorary Fellowship of two international colleges (Australia and Malaysia) and is Member of the College of Physicians in Thailand and North America. He presents regularly as a keynote speaker around the globe and is a wonderful ambassador for the ongoing development of our generalist specialty. His chapter in Dr Michael Kidd's book *The Contribution of Family Medicine to Improving Health Systems* is witness to this.

His international reputation has resulted in an escalating contribution to WONCA. He was Regional President for Asia Pacific for six years. It is perhaps not surprising he was later elected onto the WONCA Executive, where he now has the challenging role of Treasurer. At a time of worldwide economic downturn his inspirational and superlative leadership is truly appreciated.

Above all Donald is a warm, caring and compassionate human being. He works tirelessly at all levels both by extensively supporting charitable work within Hong Kong, and internationally by demonstrating total dedication to the improvement of global health care through family medicine. It is a great privilege to present him for Honorary Fellowship.

Prof. Val Wass

*The citation for President delivered by Prof Val Wass, Head of the School of Medicine, Keele University*



HONG KONG ACADEMY OF MEDICINE  
香港醫學專科學院

12 November 2015  
(Thursday)

6:30 p.m.

(Registration at 6 p.m.)

# Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End

Lecture  
by

**Dr. Atul Gawande, MD, MPH**

Professor  
Department of Health Policy and Management  
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health



**Pao Yue Kong Auditorium  
Hong Kong Academy of Medicine**

Dr. Gawande's talk will address how human beings experience mortality is changing rapidly and dramatically across Asia as people live longer and have greater access to health care. Many of the changes mirror a transformation that occurred in the West to medicalize the end of life with the most common place for dying shifting from the home to the hospital. The medicalization of mortality, however, is an experiment that is failing in terms of cost and even more importantly in terms of suffering. Dr. Gawande's bestselling novel "Being Mortal" offers directions for recognizing that well-being for most people is larger than mere survival.

#### About the speaker

Dr. Atul Gawande, MD, MPH, is a surgeon, writer, and public health researcher. He practices general and endocrine surgery at Brigham and Women's Hospital. He is Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Harvard Chan School of Public Health and the Samuel O. Thier Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School. He is also Executive Director of Ariadne Labs, a joint center for health systems innovation, and Chairman of Lifebox, a nonprofit organization making surgery safer globally. Dr. Gawande has been a staff writer for The New Yorker magazine since 1998 and has written four New York Times bestsellers: "Complications", "Better", "The Checklist Manifesto", and most recently, "Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End". He is the winner of two National Magazine Awards, AcademyHealth's Impact Award for highest research impact on healthcare, a MacArthur Fellowship, and the Lewis Thomas Award for writing about science.

#### Bestselling books by the speaker

##### "Being Mortal: Medical and What Matters in the End"

Dr. Gawande's most recent book, "Being Mortal", has the potential to change medicine and lives. "Being Mortal", is a personal meditation on how we can better live with age-related frailty, serious illness and approaching death. Dr. Gawande advocates a change in the philosophy of health care. He writes that members of the medical profession, himself included, have been wrong about what their job is. There are no perfect solutions to the problems inherent in bodily decline. Rather than ensuring health and survival, our job is "to enable well-being".

##### "The Checklist Manifesto"

Sharing his experiences as a surgeon, Dr. Gawande shows what the simple idea of the checklist reveals about the complexity of our lives and how we can deal with it. He walks the readers through a series of examples from medicine showing how the routine tasks of surgeons have now become incredibly complicated that mistakes are virtually inevitable. Experts need checklists that walk them through the key steps in any complex procedure. In his book, Dr. Gawande shows how his research team has taken this idea, developed a safe surgery checklist, and applied it around the world, with staggering success.

#### Ariadne Labs

([www.ariadnelabs.org](http://www.ariadnelabs.org))

Established in June 2013, Ariadne Labs is a unique collaboration between Brigham and Women's Hospital and the Harvard School of Public Health. It is a center for health systems innovation, which provides simple threads to guide patients, doctors, and families through critical moments in their lives with compassionate, simple, and practical solutions. The work of Ariadne Labs is rooted in rigorous scientific methodology and best practices in industry for wide-scale implementation. The common thread that unites a diverse group of individuals, including academic faculty, physicians, nurses and other clinicians, researchers, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and innovative business professionals, is the commitment to reduce suffering.

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## Special Feature: Interview with Director, Dr Kevin Hung and Assistant Director, Ms Eva Lam

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Disaster Preparedness and Response Institute (HKJC DPRI) has been set up and aims to establish Hong Kong as a regional and international leader in disaster preparedness and response training, and to promote community resilience, and policy development. Led by Director, Dr Kevin Hung (KH) and Assistant Director, Ms Eva Lam (EL), the Institute aims to make a significant contribution to adapt international norms and lesson learned to local needs and create a community of leaders that are required to effectively prepare and respond for disasters. Mr Ravdeep Sethi, Assistant Manager (Corporate Communications) of the HKAM, conducted an interview with them to understand more about the Institute.



(from left) Dr Kevin Hung, Mr Ravdeep Sethi, and Ms Eva Lam

**Could you tell us the danger or risk of disasters happening in Hong Kong? Does climate change have any influence on this?**

**KH:** Different people interpret 'risks' in different ways. For most people in Hong Kong who are well protected by the city's comparatively safe geographic location and infrastructure, their perception towards disaster risks are based on previous major incidents experienced or heard from the media. Epidemics or infectious diseases are good examples. We experienced SARS back in 2003, and now we are facing the risks from the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) in South Korea. Fire and car accidents are also commonly named, followed by tropical cyclones.

If you look deeper into the nature of these disaster risks, they are highly specific. Hong Kong as an urban city, is vulnerable to epidemics and infectious diseases as well as car accidents, due to its extremely high density of population and infrastructure. The same disease that would cause outbreak in Hong Kong might not bring the same health risks and impact to the community in the scattered settlements in rural Ethiopian village.

As for tropical cyclones, we used to have high mortality and infrastructure damage devastated by the landslides and flooding occurred back in the 1960-1970s. Thanks to the improved infrastructure building codes and slope safety measures, these are no longer perceived as major disaster risks to the general public. Climate change, however, could bring this back to our agenda by the increasing frequency and severity of storm surges striking Hong Kong. Mass Transit Railway (MTR) could be paralysed if a 3-metre flood swelled the underground system.



*Ebola Preparedness Seminar held in November 2014 aimed to provide healthcare professionals with much-needed education and training in the epidemic of Ebola virus disease*

Disaster risks are also multi-dimensional. While scientists are analysing disaster risks from the climate change perspective, sociologists are also spreading the knowledge to communities on how they could protect themselves by assessing disaster risks and preparing for them. Together, they are trying to minimise the impact of disasters around the world, with focus on different areas and time frames.

Before taking any actions to address the risks, one has first to understand what he or she is against. We call that disaster risks or vulnerability assessment, and it will be one of the key outputs of our project.

### What has been done previously in terms of preparing ourselves for disasters?

**EL:** In Hong Kong, the HKSAR government plays a major role in disaster preparedness. An Emergency Response System that consists of various major contingency plans is in place, to inform the responding mechanisms on different emergency scenarios as well as the roles and responsibilities of related government departments, auxiliary services, and other supporting parties.

Apart from that, initiatives are also taken at the community level by various non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and other social services agencies. By conducting different kinds of educational and training campaigns and activities, these programmes aim to enhance the knowledge and skills among the general public on disaster preparedness.

### What was missing in the existing contingency plan operated by the HKSAR government?

**KH:** As far as we understand, the existing contingency plans are relatively protocol driven, meaning that various government departments would and should respond according to the plans whenever an emergency incident strikes. However, it is uncertain to us that to what extent these departments will communicate and collaborate to each other to improve the response efficiency, and how frequent will they be practising and revising the contingency plans based on the feedbacks and updates.

The HKJC DPRI is currently conducting a scoping study to map out the disaster response system in Hong Kong. One of the activities is to interview key government officials so as to understand their views towards the disaster preparedness and response. The picture would become clearer with the result of the study and it is our aim to facilitate any improvement on the existing response system.

### Going through your history, you have been working in the frontline for quite some time. What made you leave all that behind to delve into a more training role at the Disaster Preparedness and Response Institute?

**EL:** In the past few years, I worked more at the operational level in disaster management work. Working in the frontline gives me a lot of satisfaction because I can contribute my hands-on skills and see the benefits directly. But with some experience, I feel that I can create more impact if I am at a management and planning level, where my frontline experience and connections can help contribute in resource planning and organisational management, do more coordination work, and put more resources in the field. The changes I hope to make can be more significant.

**KH:** It is a precious opportunity for me. There has never been a large sum of funding support designated for disaster trainings needs in Hong Kong. Dr Donald Li, our President, also has a vision to build the capacity and specialty in Hong Kong and the region. I have a passion for it and feel great to be able to contribute both my professional clinical knowledge and disaster field experiences in the workplace.

### Could you describe the overall aims and objectives of the Disaster Preparedness and Response Institute?

**KH:** We are still looking for the best answer, and that is why we are so keen to see the result of the scoping study, which will be available in October to provide us with the bases on how we could and should start. It is our mission to provide evidence-based training to health and non-health frontline disaster responders. We have different levels of training that are tailored to suit the needs of the individuals, communities, institutions as well as policy makers. We manage to gain extensive support from a variety of local and international professional bodies, which provides us great confidence to what we want to achieve in 5 years' time.

**EL:** We would also like to build a local platform for all key disaster responders and organisations. Right now, there is not a platform that allows disaster responders from different organisations to work together with the same language and understanding of disasters. We want the government, NGOs, and workers to stay together to define disaster with the same understanding, share experiences, and maximise training resources; and most importantly, when there is a disaster, we want all these partners to work together.

### Why did you choose to collaborate with Harvard University?

**KH:** Harvard is an internationally renowned and prestigious institute. Their wealth of expertise in the field of disaster management, especially on cross-thematic issues such as human rights and gender are undoubted. By drawing the international experience and insights from Harvard University, it is our hope that all DPRI stakeholders and beneficiaries are receiving the best, up-to-date, and globally recognised exposures and trainings.

### Would the training just be in the classroom, or would there be opportunities to travel to different sites or join other international disasters centres?

**KH:** Our project covers trainings in classroom, simulation centre, and on-the-ground field settings. We have a simulation centre in house at the Academy to provide skill-based training, while our collaborating partner, CCOUC of the Chinese University of Hong Kong leads an ongoing activity within the project to offer field-based training in China.

Overseas fellowship programme is also one of our key highlights in the DPRI project, which targets and funds selected personnel for training and knowledge transfer in agencies overseas. Similarly, international experts have been and will continually be invited to join our various activities for knowledge and experience sharing.

### Let's talk more about the Igloo. What is the main reason behind constructing this structure?

**KH:** Most of the people in Hong Kong have not had an opportunity to experience a disaster, not to mention to respond in a 'real' disaster. Igloo provides a 360-degree angle where one can completely be immersed into the disaster scene in a training setting. We trust it would greatly enhance the training efficiency and experience of the participants in such a simulated environment created by such technology.



### We have spoken a lot about equipping professionals with the latest knowledge. But what about the general public? Is there an initiative for them to know more about disasters and how to quickly face them?

**EL:** We believe that community members are always the first on-site responders when disaster strikes. Therefore, a variety of activities and campaigns will be designed to increase the awareness, knowledge, and skills of the general public. For instance, a school educational campaign and multimedia competition will be held, targeting teachers and students in schools. Community campaigns will also be delivered in partnership with selected community/social services organisations, to enhance community resilience with targets especially to people with special needs (such as the elderly, youth, and people with disability).

### It has been almost 7 months since you have been in charge of the Institute, what are the difficulties you have been facing?

**KH:** We have our full team on board just in February, and since then we have been working very hard to define our vision, mission and strategies, all from scratch. Apart from the team, we also have to bring all the collaborating partners and ensure everyone is on the same page, especially on how we understand the related concepts, definitions, and objectives. We have spent a lot of effort and start seeing progresses in there. We trust those are essential and critical to ensure a coherent project strategy and approach among all parties in order to achieve our common goal.

### You have been attending conferences overseas, would there be one at the Academy under DPRI? When would it be held?

**KH:** We will be organising an annual conference on disaster preparedness and response at the Academy on 30 October – 1 November 2015. The Hong Kong College of Emergency Medicine is the event's co-organiser, therefore two parallel tracks will be held to cover both aspects on emergency medicine and disaster management.

One of the key highlights of the conference will be the presentation of scoping study results from Harvard University. Speakers from the UK, US, Australia, Japan and the Philippines will also share their insights and experiences. Apart from academia, we also bring in representatives from private sectors, NGOs, and community for exchanges and learnings among all sectors.

# 2015 災難防護應變會議： 從社區到急症室的應變

**Annual Conference on Disaster Preparedness and Response 2015:  
From Community to Emergency Room**

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#### Sub-themes:

- Community engagement on disaster preparedness
- Disaster in sports medicine
- Disaster response in Greater China
- Disaster simulation in the new digital age
- Disaster training: from Australia to Hong Kong
- Disaster: the good, bad and ugly
- Emergency nursing
- Emergency response management systems
- Emergency response to infectious diseases crisis
- Emergency response to major incidents in Hong Kong: from pre-hospital to hospital
- Evidence based medicine in disaster medicine
- Implication of climate change in health, medical response and policy
- Innovation and technology in disaster management
- People with disability in disasters
- Poisoning disaster

- Pre-hospital ultrasound medicine
- Public mental health challenges in resource deficit settings
- Tactical and transport medicine
- Use of national guidelines for post-disaster mental health
- Volunteering in emergency response in Hong Kong

#### Pre & post conference workshops:

- Emergency and critical ultrasound: from individual to mass casualties
- Basic mechanical ventilation for emergency physicians
- Radiation emergencies
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## Lectures

### Lecture and Dinner in honour of Dean Julio Frenk and Dr Felicia Knaul, 12 March 2015

The Academy hosted a lecture co-delivered by Dean Julio Frenk, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Dr Felicia Knaul, Assistant Professor of Harvard Medical School and Director of Harvard Global Equity Institute. They spoke on the topic, 'Strengthening Health Systems: Learning from Cancer' in view of the growing challenges of cancer to the global health systems.

As former Secretary of Health of Mexico and expert on health system analysis, Dean Frenk shared the unique nexus of living and leading a health system. Dr Knaul, who once diagnosed with cancer, shared her personal journey of therapy and voiced out what needed to be done to improve the cancer treatment and strengthen health systems to meet the multiplicity of challenges of the non-communicable and chronic illness.

Secretary for Security The Hon Lai Tung-kwok, Permanent Secretary for Food and Health Mr Richard Yuen, Director of Health Dr Constance Chan, CE of Hospital Authority Dr PY Leung and two Medical Deans graced the lecture with their presence. The lecture was followed by a dinner, providing an opportunity for local medical leaders to network with the prominent speakers.



## Lecture by Prof Dame Sally C Davies, 19 March 2015

The Academy and Department of Health proudly co-organised the lecture presented by Prof Dame Sally C Davies, entitled 'The Inconvenient Truth – Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) UK Action and the Keys to Global Success' at the Academy on 19 March 2015. Prof Davies is the Chief Medical Officer for England and the Chief Scientific Adviser of the Department of Health, UK.

Prof Davies highlighted the latest situation of AMR and shared her experience in controlling AMR in the UK. The lecture was followed by a panel discussion with local experts on recent advances, strategies and challenges of AMR fields. The local experts included Prof Yuen Kwok-yung, Chair of Infectious Diseases, Department of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong; Dr Angus Chan, President of Hong Kong College of Family Physicians; Dr Dominic Tsang, Chief Infection Control Officer, Hospital Authority; and Dr Raymond Yung, Specialist of Clinical Microbiology and Infection and co-chairman of the Working Group of Collaboration between Centre for Health Protection and Private Hospitals on Safe Use of Antibiotics and Infection Control. The lecture was attended by over 120 participants.

Secretary for Food and Health, Dr the Hon Ko Wing-man and a number of guests joined a dinner after the lecture. Our President, Dr Donald Li and Director of Health, Dr Constance Chan proposed a toast before the dinner.



## Public Lecture by Mr James Badnoch, QC, 5 May 2015

The Academy, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Law of The University of Hong Kong proudly co-organised a joint public lecture delivered by Mr James Badnoch, QC, entitled 'The Doctor's Duty of Disclosure and the Decline of Bolam: A Dramatic Change in the Law on Patient Consent'.

Mr Badnoch took silk in 1989 and was lead Counsel for the successful plaintiff in the Montgomery case. He shared his insights on the implications of Montgomery for the new standard for the duty of disclosure owed by doctors to their patients. The topic attracted hundreds of practising medical practitioners and lawyers, who were inspired by the talk.



Vice President (General Affairs) Prof TF Fok wrote an article recently published in Ming Pao, summarising the key elements of the talk and the aspects of high sensitivity towards the patient-centric standard of care.

### 兒言自得

中大副校長，兒科專科醫生，專研新生嬰兒問題，論盡奇難雜症，月旦醫護界二三事

## 醫醫相衛

昨晚參加了由香港醫學專科學院、港大醫學院和港大法律學院合辦的講座，講者是英國來的御用大律師 James Badnoch。這位B先生擅長打醫療官司，講題也是有關醫療的法律條文，原名長得累贅：「病人接受治療同意書相關法律之轉變對醫生向病人披露醫療資訊的影響以及Bolam之沒落」。大家看了這標題可能摸不着頭腦，不知B先生意何所指。其實主要信息一點也不複雜，就是要醫生在徵求病人同意接受治療，尤其是手術或高危治療時，切記向病人詳盡披露相關的資訊，尤其是副作用及潛在風險，讓病人有足夠資料作出明智決定。否則要是治療出了問題，給病人告到官裏，敗訴的機會很高。在座醫生聽在耳裏，自然有點擔心，唯恐和病人商討時百密一疏，吃不了兜着走。但B先生演說裏對醫生影響最大的消息，依我看卻是「Bolam的沒落」。

### 「專家證人」判斷是否醫療疏忽

Bolam test或Bolam測試標準，是英聯邦法用以判斷醫生是否犯了醫療疏忽的金科玉律，香港法庭亦一直沿用，回歸後也沒有改變。根據這標準，一個醫生在醫治病人時，是否達到可以接受的水平，是否犯上醫療疏忽，在乎他的治療方法是否為一群負責任並且熟悉該治療程序的醫生（a responsible body of medical men）所接受。若果「這群醫生」認為他的做法沒有不妥，他便不算犯上醫療疏忽。用現代術語，這群「負責任並熟悉該治療程序」的醫生，便是我們常說的「專家證人」。Bolam測試標準最

富爭議的，是「這群」醫生毋須代表大多數，他們的意見也不一定是醫學界的主流意見。即是說，一個醫生醫死了人，即使醫學界主流認為他的做法很不妥，只要有一小撮（可能是兩或三名）專家證人認為可以接受，根據Bolam測試標準，法庭會傾向判他得直，毋須負法律責任。

### 過時標準判香港將棄用

Bolam測試標準源自1957年英國法庭的一個案例。事緣一位Bolam先生不幸患了精神病，需要接受當時流行的電痙攣療法。這療法使用電波刺激病人腦部，副作用是會誘發病人劇烈痙攣，四肢肌肉抽搐，進行時須先為病人注射鬆弛肌肉的藥物，並把病人縛緊牀上，以防痙攣時摔倒受傷。不知怎的，Bolam先生的醫生完全忽略了這些步驟，導致Bolam先生在痙攣時從牀上摔倒在地，折斷了髖骨。事情終鬧上法院，主審法官McNair給陪審員的指示，便成了Bolam測試標準的骨幹。

Bolam測試標準，給了醫學界很大權力，也給人「醫醫相衛」的感覺，因為病人向法院控告醫生疏忽以致病人蒙受損失，醫生只要找到兩三位專家證人願意作證，告訴法庭這醫生做法並無不妥，醫生大多不用擔上法律責任。

B先生在講座上告訴我們，英國法院已開始棄Bolam測試標準不用，其他英聯邦國家，例如澳洲、新西蘭、加拿大等，亦早已不再沿用這過時標準，相信香港法院棄用Bolam測試標準之期亦不遠矣。這對病人來說應該是好消息，對醫生來說可能是一個挑戰。

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## Visits

### Visit from SIMTAC, 14 April 2015

An eight-member delegation led by Dr Loo Shi, the Medical Director of the Simulation and Integrated Medical Training Advancement Centre (SIMTAC) of the National Healthcare Group, Singapore, visited the HKJC ILCM on 14 April 2015. The delegation comprised two doctors and other administrative, technical, and curriculum support staff.

The SIMTAC delegation was warmly received by representatives from the Academy, the HKJC ILCM, and the HKJC DPRI. Dr Lau Chor-chiu, Honorary Secretary of the Academy; Dr Chan Tung-ning, Honorary Assistant Director of the HKJC ILCM; and Dr Kevin Hung, Director of the HKJC DPRI, toured the delegation around the HKJC ILCM and the Igloo, and introduced the centre facilities thoroughly. Ideas were exchanged between the two centres on various aspects ranging from the perspectives of medical faculty to detailed operational matters. The overall philosophy, vision and purposes, nature and needs of clientele, as well as the strategies, structure, and operations of the HKJC ILCM were also elucidated and conveyed to the SIMTAC.

The visit enhanced understanding and bolstered the linkage between the HKJC ILCM and the SIMTAC. Both centres looked forward to future collaborations.



*Dr Loo Shi, the Medical Director of SIMTAC (5th left), Dr Chan Tung-ning (6th left), Dr Kevin Hung (6th right), Dr Lau Chor-chiu (5th right) and other guests from SIMTAC*

### Visit from Health Bureau of Macau SARG, 5 June 2015

A six-member delegation led by Director of Health Bureau of Macau SARG, Dr Lei Chin-ion, visited the Academy on 5 June 2015. A lunch meeting was hosted by the Academy's Officers to welcome the delegation. Fruitful discussions took place concerning various issues in particular the MOU signed between HKAM and the Department of Health of the Macau SARG for the Academy to provide examiners for its specialist examinations held in Macau. Following the lunch, the delegation visited our state-of-the-art medical simulation training centre, HKJC ILCM.



*A souvenir presented by Director of Health Bureau of Macau SARG Dr Lei Chin-ion*



*Members of Macau delegation led by Dr Lei Chin-ion and Academy's Officers*

## Public Relations

### Spring Luncheon with Media, 9 March 2015

The Academy organised a Spring Luncheon with the media on 9 March 2015 to enhance the networking with the media and to introduce our upcoming projects to them.

During the luncheon, a few speakers were invited to talk about the risk and issues of invasive out-patient procedures. Speakers included Dr Chow Yu-fat from the Hong Kong College of Anaesthesiologists; Dr Wong Yiu-kai from the College of Dental Surgeons of Hong Kong; Dr Law Chun-key from the Hong Kong College of Radiologists; Dr Lai Sik-to from the Hong Kong College of Physicians, and Dr Man Chi-wai from the College of Surgeons of Hong Kong. The lunch was well attended by 38 members from the press, and there were 11 related media coverage afterwards.



### Cancer Prevention and Screening Press Conference, 22 April 2015

The Department of Health recently launched a new publicity campaign on cancer prevention and screening with the academia, medical professionals, and non-governmental organisations. The aim of this campaign is to raise public awareness on primary and secondary prevention of cancer in preparation for the roll-out of the Colorectal Cancer Screening Pilot Programme (CRC SPP) by the end of 2015 the earliest. Some cancer-related presentations were delivered by Dr Constance Chan, Prof Francis Chan, Prof Gabriel Leung, and Dr Regina Ching.

Vice President of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians, Dr David Chao, attended the press conference on behalf of the Academy.

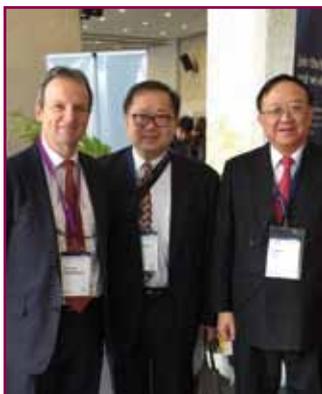


## Events Attended by the HKAM President

### GMC Annual Conference, 16 March 2015

Around 500 delegates attended the Conference in London which aimed at exploring the theme of creating a culture of openness, safety and compassion. New GMC Chair, Prof Terence Stephenson, delivered an opening keynote speech which inspired the international participants.

President attended two informative workshops, including 'Differential attainment: understanding variations in performance in exams and training' and 'Concerns about doctors – working with others to continue being fair, whilst achieving a more focused and faster outcome'. Most participants had fruitful discussions.



*With GMC New Chair Prof Terence Stephenson and Chairman of MCHK Prof Joseph Lau*



*At the Queen Elizabeth II Centre, the venue of GMC Annual Conference*

### 1st International Minimally Invasive Surgery Conference (i-MISC), 19 March 2015

President, invited by the CUHK Jockey Club Minimally Invasive Surgical Skills Centre, officiated the Opening Ceremony of the Conference at Grand Hyatt. The event also celebrated the Centre's 10th Anniversary. Opening remarks were delivered by Prof Joseph Sung, Dean Francis Chan and Prof Arthur Li. Lord Ara Darzi, Director of the Institute of Global Health Innovation at Imperial College London and Chair of Imperial College Health Partners, participated in the Conference and delivered the Arthur KC Li Oration.



*Eye-dotting ceremony with Prof Joseph Sung, Dean Francis Chan, and Prof Arthur Li*

### The Royal College of Physicians of Thailand (RCPT) Scientific Meeting, 26-29 March 2015

President attended the RCPT Scientific Meeting 2015, in conjunction with the 1st Meeting of South East Asian Chapter of American College of Physicians and the 2nd Meeting of the Asean Federation of Internal Medicine, held in Bangkok. The Meeting, entitled 'Medicine Beyond Frontiers: Towards a Healthier AEC' attracted hundreds of prominent overseas speakers and attendees. A strategic forum was held to discuss issues of mutual concern in particular on 'Revalidation: International Perspectives'. Immediate Past Chair of GMC Prof Sir Peter Rubin and President of American College of Physicians Prof David Fleming shared their views with forum participants. Various healthcare topics were covered, including revalidation and maintenance of certification and all the pitfalls. Dr Donald Li also attended the Convocation Ceremony of RCPT during the Conference and a Presidential dinner.



*At Convocation Ceremony of RCPT*

## Digby Memorial Lecture, 10 April 2015



*With Mr Norman Chan and Prof CM Lo*

President attended the Digby Memorial Lecture organised by the Department of Surgery of the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong. Mr Norman Chan, Chief Executive of Hong Kong Monetary Authority delivered a lecture, entitled 'Who Would Mortgage Their Children'. Digby Memorial Lecture was established in 1961 in honour of Professor Kenelm Hutchison Digby (1884–1954), who was first to make academic and professional contributions to surgery in Hong Kong.

## Health Carnival, 11 April 2015

President officiated the Opening Ceremony of the Health Carnival organised by The Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (PHKAN). The aims of this activity were to enrich the concept of community health to people of Hong Kong and position nurses' contribution to our community. The Carnival features over 25 booths, with the participation of 14 Specialty Colleges of the PHKAN. Other officiating guests included Dr Ko Wing-man, Prof Sophia Chan, Dr CH Leong, and other prominent medical leaders.



*With stage guests at the Opening Ceremony*

## Annual Academic Meeting of the Committee of General Practice, Cross-Straits Medicine Exchange Association, 16-18 April 2015



President participated in the Annual Academic Meeting of the Committee of General Practice, Cross-Straits Medicine Exchange Association held in Suzhou from 16 to 18 April 2015. During the Conference, Dr Li also visited a successful 1000-bed private hospital — Suzhou Kowloon Hospital wholly owned by a Hong Kong family.



*With 衛計委科教司，金生國副司長*

## The Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Day Races and Luncheon, 19 April 2015

President attended the annual Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Day Races and Luncheon in Sha Tin Racecourse on behalf of the Academy. Opening speeches were delivered by Chief Secretary for Administration, the Hon Mrs Carrie Lam and Chairman of the HKJC, Dr Simon Ip. The Community Day Races had great support from hundreds of representatives from government agencies, NGOs, and the community.

## Orientation Session of the Community Care Fund Elderly Dental Assistance Programme, 19 April 2015

President attended the Orientation Session organised by the Hong Kong Dental Association as a guest speaker. A lecture, entitled 'Medical Conditions and Oral Health', was given by Dr Li. The Orientation Session was well attended by registered dentists in Hong Kong.



*With President of the Hong Kong Dental Association, Dr Sigmund Leung*

## Multi-specialty Medical Mega Conference Fifth Round (M3C 5.0), 25 April 2015

In coordination with 39 prestigious specialty societies and associations, the Association of Private Medical Specialists of Hong Kong organised the Multi-specialty Medical Mega Conference at the Langham Place Hotel. President showed his support by participating in the Conference. The aim of this Conference was to provide a platform for all specialists and medical practitioners to mingle and obtain useful information at a wide spectrum of medical specialties which are of their interests.



*With Permanent Secretary for Food and Health, Mr Richard Yuen and other invited guests*

## American College of Physicians (ACP) Internal Medicine Meeting, 30 April – 2 May 2015

President and Vice President (Edu & Exams) Prof CS Lau participated in the ACP Internal Medicine Meeting held in Boston, Dr Li took part in the Convocation Ceremony and the International Reception to network with many prominent medical leaders of the internal medicine societies participating.

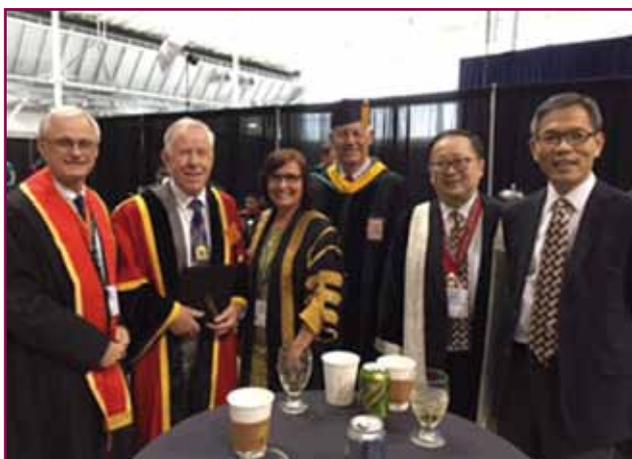


*At Convocation Ceremony*



*With Presidents of international colleges*

During the Conference, Dr Li and Prof Lau also attended the International Dignitaries Breakfast and the 9th Annual International Forum held at the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel. The theme of the Forum was about 'Geriatrics: Care of the Elderly'. Topics covered the provision of elderly care, geriatrics education in both undergraduate and postgraduate medical education and national support providing the elderly with regard to social security retirement income as well as healthcare insurance, etc. Discussions attended by over 100 attendees were fruitful.



*With President of RACP, Prof Nicholas Talley; President of RCPSG, Dr Francis Dunn; and President of RCP, Prof Jane Dacre*



*With President-Elect of ACP, Dr Wayne Riley (middle) and Vice President of Peking Union Medical College Hospital, Ms Shuyang Zhang (2nd left)*

## Meetings with CMS and HSPH, 30 April and 1 May 2015

President led a five-member delegation from HKAM to Boston. The delegation consisted of the President, Vice President (Edu & Exams) Prof CS Lau, Honorary Secretary Dr CC Lau, Member of Management Committee of HKJC ILCM Dr Danny Luk, and Director of HKJC DPRI Dr Kevin Hung. The delegation spent the whole day at the Centre for Medical Simulation (CMS) to understand more about its daily operation and the courses that provide training in debriefing skills. The delegation also explored closer collaboration between HKAM and CMS in medical simulation and education. During the visit, President and the delegation were invited to a plaque unveiling ceremony held at the CMS. The Observation Room is dedicated to HKAM for our support and collaboration with the CMS.



*A plaque unveiling ceremony taken place at the Observation Room of CMS dedicated to HKAM*



*Meeting with Executive Director of CMS, Prof Jeffrey Cooper and other Principal Faculty Members*



*Meeting with Dr Atul Gawande*

The delegation also paid a visit to the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (HSPH) and met with Dean Julio Frenk, as well as Members of FXB Center for Health and Human Right. Progress on the HKJC DPRI project was updated at a lunch meeting, and a closer working relationship between HKJC DPRI and Harvard would be expected. The delegation ended the visit with a meeting with Executive Director of Ariadne Labs, Dr Atul Gawande. Ariadne Labs is committed to creating scalable healthcare solutions that produce better care at the most critical moments in people's lives, everywhere.



*(from left) Dr CC Lau, Dr Kevin Hung, Dr Donald Li, and Dr Danny Luk*



*Lunch Meeting with members of FXB Center for Health and Human Right*

### The Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons / The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd) Fellowship Conferment Ceremony, 6 May 2015



President attended the Ceremony celebrating and congratulating the newly admitted College Fellows on their remarkable accomplishments. The newly admitted College Fellows were inspired by his speech, which addressed the importance of continuous professional development in the complex world of ever-changing medical dynamics.

## Hospital Authority (HA) Convention, 18-19 May 2015

President participated in the HA Convention as a discussant on the panel of 'Management of Accident and Emergency Services' chaired by Chief Manager (IEC) of HA Dr SH Liu and Professor (Emergency Medicine) of CUHK Prof Colin Graham. Dr Li emphasised the importance of early introduction of emergency medicine (EM) knowledge at the undergraduate level, the importance of EM in disaster response and preparedness, its relationship with family physicians, career path of EM specialists and the manpower issues, etc. Other discussants included Director (Cluster Services) of HA Dr WL Cheung; Vice President of International Federation for Emergency Medicine Prof James Ducharme; Consultant (A & E Department) of Pok Oi Hospital Dr KL Ong. Participants found the discussions at the Convention intriguing and fruitful.



*With other panel discussants on stage*

## International Medical Leaders Forum, 20 May 2015

President attended the Forum as an officiating guest and addressed the international participants of the Forum organised by the World Federation of Medical Managers (WFMM). The theme of the Forum was 'Value through Medical Leadership'. Dr Donald Li shared his leadership vision and journey. He emphasised the urgent need for clear, coordinated, and time-sensitive leadership structures to maximise quality, efficiency, and patient satisfaction. It is not just based on individual performance but a team.



*With President of The Royal Australasian College of Medical Administrators Dr Lee Gruner and President of Hong Kong College of Community Medicine Prof Fung Hong*

## Oration on Child Health, 28 May 2015

The Hong Kong Paediatric Society organised the Oration on Child Health, an event to advance knowledge of childcare professionals and promote child health through public education. The oration, entitled 'My Idea of Hospital Service, And Why' was delivered by Vice President (General Affairs) Prof TF Fok. President attended the oration and showed his unwavering support for child-centred care.



*With Vice President (Gen Affairs) Prof TF Fok*



*With Dr Chan Chok-wan and Dr Lilian HL Wong*

## 23rd Annual Scientific Congress (ASC) of Hong Kong College of Cardiology, 30 May 2015

President delivered an address at the opening ceremony of the ASC organised by Hong Kong College of Cardiology. Doctors were urged to build up and maintain good doctors-patient relationship, as both sides would need to work together to establish suitable treatment of acute conditions, long-term health maintenance, and the provision of primary care. Holistic patient care could be made possible through collaborative effort of cross-disciplinary medical team. The ASC presented some updates on current issues and challenges facing the cardiologists.



*With Dr Chan Kam-tim, President of Hong Kong College of Cardiology*

## Hong Kong Primary Care Conference (HKPCC), 30 & 31 May 2015

President officiated the Opening Ceremony of the HKPCC and delivered a plenary session speaking on 'Excellence in Primary Care – Ethical Dilemmas'. Dr Li shared some examples of ethical dilemmas possibly encountered by medical professionals such as peer relationship, confidentiality, money, etc and recommended some solutions to resolve the ethical dilemma. He emphasised, once again, the importance of trust to the practice of medicine and adherence to the codes of professional conduct.



Dr Li delivered the Dr Sun Yat Sen Oration at the Conferment Ceremony of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians. The topic was 'Making a Difference: A Journey in Family Medicine'. Newly admitted Fellows and the practising family physicians were urged to be ambassadors and leaders in the unique specialty, keep learning, stay aware of, and adapt to the ever-changing environment, stay resilient, and keep making a world of difference in their journeys in Family Medicine. Full text of the Oration can be read on the Academy website.



### HKU Pre-internship Block, 3 June 2015

President was invited by the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong to deliver a talk on 'Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Postgraduate Specialist Training' to motivate and inspire the new interns.

### HKU Reunion at the Races, 7 June 2015

The 'HKU Reunion at the Races' is an annual gathering for its alumni and supporters. President joined this special occasion on 7 June 2015 in Shatin to catch up and meet top leaders from the government, business, and academia, etc.



*With Mr Stephen Ip, Prof Peter Mathieson, Dr CH Leong, and Mr Philip Cheng*

### 20th Anniversary Dinner of the Association of Licentiates of MCHK, 14 June 2015

President attended the 20th Anniversary Dinner of the Association of Licentiates of the Medical Council of Hong Kong.



*With Prof Sophia Chan, Dr Ka-lau Leung, Prof Joseph Lau, Dr Kin-man Lee, Dr Louis Shib, and other guests*

## Conferment Ceremony of Hong Kong College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, 18 June 2015

President attended the Ceremony to share the happiness and success of the newly admitted College Fellows. In his address to the new Fellows, the President emphasised that continuing medical education and continuous professional development are essential to help ensure core competencies of all medical professionals. The new Fellows were urged to continue to broaden their professional knowledge and skills.



## HKPDA & GDA 25th Joint Annual Dinner, 22 June 2015

President attended the Joint Annual Dinner of Hong Kong Public Doctors' Association and Government Doctors' Association as a guest of honour. The Academy's Vice President (General Affairs), Prof Fok Tai-fai and the Honorary Treasurer, Prof William Wei also participated to show support. Mr Tse Chi-fung delivered a talk, entitled "Doctors' City Forum", at the dinner symposium.



*President, Vice President (Gen Affairs), and Hon Treasurer attended the HKPDA & GDA Joint Annual Dinner*

## Meeting with the Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO), 23 June 2015

President met with the Director-General of WHO, Dr Margaret Chan who was recently in Hong Kong to update her on the work plans and progresses being made by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Disaster Preparedness and Response Institute since its inception last November 2014, and to explore possibilities for collaboration.



## Fellow Services

### Enjoy a new Yum Cha experience at the Academy!

The Academy has been serving dim sum lunch once a month on selected Sundays (from 12:00 noon). Come and enjoy good dim sum, traditional Chinese tea and a relaxing time with your family, friends at the Academy. There are ample parking spaces available that are free of charge. For reservations or enquiries, please call 2871 8787.

Interested Fellows please mark the following dates and reserve your table in advance:

**2015**

**9 August, 20 September, 11 October, 29 November, and 20 December**

### Introduction of International Health Insurance Special Offer

HKAM's Council has approved the offering of a proprietary- and premium-wise very advantageous medical plan, the composition of which will only be available to all HKAM Fellows and their dependents.

The medical plan offers lifetime guaranteed renewal of cover, which can never be reassessed due to your future medical conditions or claims history. The plan coverage is worldwide. Even if a medical condition is first diagnosed in Hong Kong, you would have a free choice of being treated in any hospital by any specialist in any country in the world including the USA. If you would prefer excluding the option to travel to the USA for treatment, but keep the right to travel to all other countries for treatment, your annual premium would be reduced considerably. The plan offers 24-hour emergency assistance and direct settlement of in-patient claims worldwide.

To find the detailed information including enrolment material on this special plan, please go to [www.martinmereholdings.com/martinmere-insurance.html](http://www.martinmereholdings.com/martinmere-insurance.html) and click on HKAM. Enrolment can only be submitted directly to the insurer, so brokers or agents cannot act as intermediaries. To access this dedicated site exclusively available to HKAM Fellows, please enter using the password: 8HkMA8.

If you have any problems accessing the site or have enquiries, please email to [hkam@martinmereinsurance.com](mailto:hkam@martinmereinsurance.com).

## 2015 Southern Hemisphere Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme

The Government has launched the 2015 Southern Hemisphere Seasonal Influenza Vaccination (SH SIV) Programme on 8 May 2015 to provide one dose of free vaccination to all residents of residential care homes for the elderly (RCHEs).

The aim of this SH SIV Programme is to protect elders from the possible summer influenza season and to prevent influenza outbreaks in RCHEs. As of 19 May 2015, about 43 000 elders living in RCHEs have consented to receive the vaccine. Other elders will receive the vaccination by phases at designated Elderly Health Centres under the Department of Health and the General Out-patient Clinics under the Hospital Authority. Elders aged 85 or above are vaccinated first from 20 May 2015 onwards, followed by other elders depending on situations.

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) has set up a dedicated page [http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/view\\_content/39442.html](http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/view_content/39442.html) for the SH SIV Programme on its website. For enquiries, the elders and their family members may call the CHP's Vaccination Office at 2125 2125 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays. Please visit the Academy website for more details. If you have any problems accessing the site or have enquiries, please email to [hkam@martinmereinsurance.com](mailto:hkam@martinmereinsurance.com).

## New College Council Members

The following Academy College has held annual general meetings and submitted new Council lists to the newsletter Editorial Board. Congratulations to all new College Office Bearers and Council members. (For lists of other College Councils, please refer to the Colleges section on the Academy website.)



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## A New Look, a New Face

The Academy is pleased to announce that we have achieved substantial completion of our major renovation after 5 months at the new Secretariat office, Council Chamber, and President's Suite on 10/F. The opening of the office is a reflection of the growth the Academy has reached over the years. The renovations include extensive repair and maintenance work, and has seen the HKAM Press office join the Secretariat on the 10/F. It was necessary to improve the general condition of the office so that we can accommodate more staff and improve the running of the Academy. Staff are now equipped with a Staff Access Card to enter/leave the office.

We appreciate the support of our Fellows, and hope you get acquainted with the new office whenever you visit.

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