Our Book: Celebrating the 30th Anniversary - HKSN

After nearly one year of preparation, our book “Celebrating the 30th Anniversary – Hong Kong Society of Nephrology” was finally published in December 2009. The Book documents the history and achievements of our Society over the past 3 decades and provides an insight into the development of renal services in Hong Kong. All of you should have received a copy of the book by now. We hope you have enjoyed reading the Book. Dr. TH Kwan is the Chief Editor of the Book. Members of the Editorial Board include Drs. YL Cheng, KS Choi, Samuel Fung, YW Ho, CB Leung, SL Lui, Sydney Tang, Andrew Wong and David Yong.

World Kidney Day Health Exhibition in Public Housing Estates

Council Members from HKSN & HKKF with volunteers at Wo Che Estate 禾輋邨 (Shatin) on 2010-01-31
The theme of this year’s World Kidney Day is “Protect your Kidneys, Control Diabetes”. In order to increase public awareness on the important relationship between diabetes and kidney disease, our Society and the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation have jointly held WKD Health Exhibition in 10 Housing Estates throughout Hong Kong during 5 Sundays in Jan and Feb. We are very pleased to have many volunteers from the Nursing and Medical Schools of the University of Hong Kong, Medical School of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation and the Hong Kong Association of Renal Nurses helping us out in this activity. A questionnaire survey on the general knowledge about DM among the general public have also been conducted during the health exhibition. The results of the survey will be released at the WKD@HK function on March 14, 2010.
The HA Commissioned Training on “Renal Rehabilitation”, jointly organized by the HA Central Renal Committee, Hong Kong Kidney Foundation and our Society, was held in the Lecture Theatre, HA Building on November 29, 2009. Dr. KL Mo & Dr. David Yong were the chief organizers. Dr. Patricia Painter (USA) and Dr. Nikolaos Koutlianos (Greece) were the invited overseas speakers. Local expert speakers included Dr. Stanley Lo, Dr. YW Ho, Dr. Susan Chow, Mr. CW Li, Dr. WK Lo, Mr. Raymond Yim, Ms. Phyllis Chu and Dr. CS Li. More than 200 doctors and nurses attended the training program.

The Organizing Committee and the overseas and local speakers

Dr. Patricia Painter
Dr. Nikolaos Koutlianos

The lecture hall is packed with audience
Panel discussion
World Kidney Day Website – Chinese version

In order to enable the Chinese speaking community from around the world to benefit from the rich content of educational materials contained in the official World Kidney Day website, our Society has embarked on a project to create a Chinese version of the official WKD website. The Chinese version (available in both conventional and simplified Chinese) has recently been launched and is linked to our Society’s website. (http://wkd.hksn.org/zh_tw/). Dr. Samuel Fung is the Webmaster of the Chinese Version of the WKD website. Other members of the project team include Drs. YW Ho, CB Leung, KC Hau and Mr. KP Chen. Prof. Philip Li serves as the advisor of the website. The website is supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Roche.

Nocturnal Home Hemodialysis Study Tour to Australia

In order to enhance the development of nocturnal home hemodialysis in our locality, our Society has recently supported 5 doctors and 3 nurses to undergo a study tour on nocturnal home hemodialysis in Australia. During the study tour, the group had attended the “Home Therapies Workshop 2010” which was held in Brisbane from February 10-12, 2010 and visited a number of hospitals and hemodialysis centers that provide training and support for Nocturnal Home Hemodialysis (NHHD).
ISN-HK Visiting Fellowship

Three nephrologists from Mainland China have been awarded the ISN-HK Visiting Fellowship this year. They are (1) Dr. Yuan Jing from the People's Hospital of Guizhou Province; (2) Dr. Li Lin from the Institute of Nephrology, Changzheng Hospital and (3) Dr. Zhu Tongying from the Nephrology Research Institute, Division of Nephrology, Huashan Hospital Fudan University. Dr. Yuan and Dr. Zhu will be attached to the University of Hong Kong at Queen Mary & Tung Wah Hospitals while Dr. Li will be attached to the Chinese University of Hong Kong at Prince of Wales Hospital. The three ISN-HK Visiting Fellows will arrive in Hong Kong in the coming few months.

Hong Kong Renal Nursing Course

The Hong Kong Renal Nursing Course, jointly organized by the Institute of Advanced Nursing, the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation, the Hong Kong Association of Renal Nurses and our Society had started on December 17, 2009. Nearly 60 nurses have enrolled in the course.

Inter-hospital Renal Meeting

Interhospital Renal Meetings with CME accreditation are regularly being held in Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Archives of Interhospital Renal Meeting are posted up in HKSN web site including content of each meeting highlighted in a few key words. Presentation file will be posted up soon. Members of HKSN will be informed of the schedule by email before every meeting. Please update your email record and inform office@hksn.org when there is change in email address for future correspondence. Please note: The interhospital renal meeting originally scheduled on March 24 (by PMH & AHNH) will be postponed to March 31.

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Our Journal is indexed in EMBASE. Archives of all the articles in our Journal can be searched in our official journal website: www.hkjn.org

Upcoming Events / Important Dates at a Glance

**WKD Public Talk: 控糖護腎**  
Date: March 7, 2010 (Sunday)  
Time: 10:00am to 11:30am  
Venue: HAHO Infoworld

**WKD Scientific Symposium: “Updates on DM & DM Nephropathy”**  
Date: March 11, 2010 (Thursday)  
Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm  
Venue: Langham Hotel, TST

**World Kidney Day@HK 2010**  
Date: March 14, 2010 (Sunday)  
Time: 10:15am to 12:30pm  
Venue: Olympic Square, Hong Kong Park

**Scientific Symposium: Biomarkers in acute kidney injury & acute cardiac care**  
Date: March 23, 2010 (Tuesday)  
Time: 6:45pm to 8:15pm  
Venue: W Hotel, Kowloon Station
Scientific Symposium: CNI minimization & elimination strategies
Date: April 8, 2010 (Thursday)
Time: 6:30pm to 7:30pm
Venue: M-Block Lecture Theatre, QEH

Gateball Competition
Date: June 13, 2010 (Sunday)
Time: 1:00pm to 5:30pm
Venue: Kowloon Park Indoors Sportsground

Annual Scientific Meeting
Date: October 24, 2010 (Sunday)
Time: 9:00am to 4:30pm
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel

12th HK Diabetes and Cardiovascular Risk Factors - East Meets West Symposium
Date: October 1-2, 2010
Venue: Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.
Website: www.eastmeetswest.org.hk
Our Society is one of the supporting organizations of this Symposium

Sponsorship application to attend local / overseas meetings

Applications for sponsorship to attend local or overseas conferences should be sent to Dr. Sydney C.W. Tang (Membership Affairs: Sponsorship and scholarship) C/o Department of Medicine, Queen Mary Hospital, Pokfulam, Hong Kong at least 4 weeks before the commencement date of the conference. You can FAX the application to Dr. Tang at 2872-5828 or EMAIL sponsorship@hksn.org. Application for reimbursement for expenses should be sent to Dr. Tang within 3 months after the meeting. Late applications will not be entertained. A list of forthcoming nephrology meetings can be found in our Society’s web site as well as in the Hong Kong Journal of Nephrology.

Membership application and Change of Address

New membership application and notification of change of address (including email address) or personal particulars should be sent to Dr. Samuel K.S. Fung (Membership Affairs: Registration). C/o Department of Medicine & Geriatrics, Medical Officer Room, P3 Ward, Hong Kong Jockey Club Nephrology Centre, Block P, Princess Margaret Hospital, Lai Chi Kok, Kowloon. New membership application & Change of Address or Personal Details forms can be downloaded from our Society’s website (http://www.hksn.org/member.htm) For further enquiry concerning your membership status, please contact Ms. Rebecca Wong (Dr. Fung’s Secretary) at 29902035 / 27410752 (e-mail: membership@hksn.org).

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