Hong Kong Society of Nephrology Professor Richard Yu Endowment Fund

One of the missions of HKSN is to promote the management of kidney diseases and move the Society into international nephrology academic platform. Professor Richard Yu Endowment Fund was established in early 2006 by the council of HKSN with a vision to further enhance this goal.

The Fund will be used to invite internationally renowned clinicians and scientists to share their clinical and research experience in Hong Kong and to fund local researches in the nephrology field. These are aimed to better manage patients with kidney diseases as well as prevention of kidney failure in the general population.

We would like to thank Prof. Richard Yu (余宇康教授) and Mr. Hui Hoy of Koon Wah Mirror Group (冠華鏡廈集團許海先生) in contributing significantly to this fund.

Hong Kong Society of Nephrology Dr. Chan Woon-Cheung Memorial Fund

In commemoration of Dr. WC Chan (陳煥幸醫生), a renowned academic pathologist, for his contribution to Renal Pathology, a memorial fund was established. Thanks to Prof. Richard Yu and the Hon. Dr. C.H. Leong for their generous support.

Closing Ceremony of the Organ Donation Campaign

The Campaign ended by a very successful Transplant Day at Hospital Authority Building on 23 April 2006. The guests included Legislative Councillors Mrs. Vita Fan (范徐麗泰議員), Mr. Bernard Chan (陳智思議員), and Dr. Ka-ki Kwok (郭家麒議員), religious leaders Venerable Sik Hin Hung (行空法師, Buddhist), Rev. Leung Ying-On (梁應安牧師, Christian) and Mr. Ng Wai-lit (伍維烈修士, Catholic) and artists Lui Leung-Wai (呂良偉), Mui Siu-Wai (梅小惠), Tong Ning (唐寧), Lam Tze-Huen (林子瑄) and Kwok Sun-Ki (郭心淇). Voice recording by HKSAR CE, Mr. Donald Tsang (特首曾蔭權先生) and video by movie star Jackie Chan (成龍) were broadcasted.
Patients and donor families shared the experience. There was also prize presentation for the essay and poster competition. There were 4202 entries for essay competition from 35 primary schools and 633 entries for poster competition from 25 secondary schools. The campaign attracted good media attention and served a good education to the youngsters.

The invited guests and participants of the Ceremony getting ready to say the slogan "捐器官。我願意" together.

The invited guests & key members of the Campaign OC: Drs KF Chau, KL Tong, SF Lui, Alex Yu, YW Ho & Ms. Maggie Ng.

Winners of the primary school organ donation essay competition.

Lyric Writing Competition (舊曲新填腎友詞)

Our society has recently completed compiling the video recordings of the lyric writing competition 2005 held in the Shatin Town Hall last year into a double DVD. Each renal center has been given some copies for loan to their staffs and patients. Those who have missed the chance to participate in the memorable and touching singing contest last year would now be able to enjoy the program through the DVD.

We have recently obtained formal authorization from various music record companies concerning some of the lyrics written by our renal patients last year to produce a CD. We are extremely privileged to have the support from the Actors' Family who has kindly agreed to produce the background music for us while their famous actors will
serve as professional singers for the songs.

We are looking forward to the production of an elegantly designed CD that will be available for distribution to our local renal community and the delegates attending the forthcoming ISPD 2006.

We hope you would enjoy watching the DVD and listening to the CD that echoes the yearnings from the hearts of our renal patients.

**11th Congress of the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis, August 25-29, 2006, Hong Kong**

The 11th Congress of the ISPD will be held in Hong Kong in less than two months time. The Congress Secretariat has received more than 500 abstract submissions from 50 countries all over the world. The number of registrants is approaching 1000 towards the end of May and the OC is confident that the final number of participants of the Congress will be well over 2000. Please register early for the Congress.

For further information about the Congress, please visit [www.ispd2006.org](http://www.ispd2006.org)

**Scientific symposium**

A scientific symposium, jointly organized by the Hong Kong Society of Transplantation, Hong Kong Society of Clinical Chemistry and our Society, was held in Queen Elizabeth Hospital on June 14, 2006. The symposium was entitled "Therapeutic Drug Monitoring of Immunosuppressants in Organ Transplantation." Dr. Matthew Tong from PMH gave an overview of organ transplant in Hong Kong while Mr. Paul Taylor from Princess Alexandra Hospital, Woollongabba, Australia delivered a lecture on measurement of immunosuppressants-state of the art technology.
Renal Nursing Course

The third Hong Kong Renal Nursing course, co-organised by IANS, the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation & the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology has begun on 25/5/2006. There are 53 course participants, of which, 45 are from HA Hospitals and one from Macao (Centro Hospitalar C. De S. Januario). The course is divided into modules with theory and clinical practicum sessions. Teachers and mentors are contributed from various renal units in Hong Kong including the private sector. The Society thanks for their contribution and wishing the best for participants, so that what they learn can contribute in the caring and management of patients.

Dr. W.K. Lo (Consultant nephrologist, TWH) delivering his lecture on renal anatomy & physiology.

The lecture room is packed with more than 50 nurses from hospitals all over Hong Kong.

Hong Kong Society of Nephrology Research Grant

There are 8 applications for the HKSN Research Grant this year, including 3 basic and 5 clinical study proposals. These proposals will be sent to local and international experts for review. The result of the Grant application will be made available in August.

Enquiry concerning the Research Grant can be directed to Dr. K S Wong, Consultant, Department of Medicine, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, 3 Lok Man Road, Chai Wan. E-mail: wongks3@ha.org.hk.
Renal Patient Gateball Competition

The Gateball Competition and Fun Day for Renal Patients and their families will be held on Sunday, October 8 this year in Kowloon Park Indoor Sports Ground. The reason for postponing the Event from summer to fall is due mainly to the closure of the venue from April to June 2006 for renovation. As with previous years, we will co-organize with the Hong Kong Gateball Association and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. The format of the matches, including Open (公開組) and Senior (元老組) Divisions, will remain the same. Further announcements will be made in July.

Annual Scientific Meeting and AGM 2006

This year’s Annual Scientific Meeting and AGM will be held in Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel on October 29,2006 (Sunday).

Inter-hospital Renal Meeting

The schedule of this year's inter-hospital renal meeting can be found in our Society's website: www.hksn.org

Hong Kong Journal of Nephrology

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

Sponsorship application to attend local / overseas meetings

Applications for sponsorship to attend local or overseas conferences should be sent to Dr. CB Leung (Membership Affairs: Sponsorship and scholarship) at least 4 weeks before the commencement date of the conference. Application for reimbursement for expenses should be sent to Dr. CB Leung within 3 months after the meeting. Late applications will not be entertained. A list of forthcoming nephrology meeting can be found in our Society's web site as well as in the HKJN.

Dr. CB Leung: C/o Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, Prince of Wales Hospital, Shatin. You can FAX the application to Dr. CB Leung at 2635-8900 or EMAIL to cbleung@alumni.cuhk.net.
Membership application and Change of Address

New membership application and notification of change of address or personal particulars should be sent to Dr. Samuel KS Fung (Membership Affairs: Registration). 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: pmhrenal@gmail.com)

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