World Kidney Day @ Hong Kong 2007

Our Society, in conjunction with the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation, hosted a series of activities for the Second World Kidney Day @ Hong Kong recently. The key events included a "Launching Ceremony", which was held on Sunday March 11, 2007, in Chater Garden, Central, Hong Kong.

More than 500 medical & nursing staff and patients (with family members) from all the Renal Units of Hong Kong, as well as representatives from pharmaceutical companies, attended the Ceremony. Mr. Anthony Wu, Chairman of the Hospital Authority and Dr. C.H. Leong, a member of the Executive Council of HKSAR were the officiating guests. All the attendances worn the World Kidney Day T-shirt to transmit the message ARE YOUR KIDNEYS OK?

During the ceremony, a self risk assessment form for renal disease 「你的腎臟健康嗎？」, was launched. The form will serve as a simple screening tool for kidney disease by the general public. In addition, the results of a survey on the general knowledge on "kidneys" by the general public and a screening program for relatives of patients with kidney diseases were announced.

A full page article on the World Kidney Day was placed on 6 most popular local Newspapers on March 15, 2007, providing information on kidney disease, symptoms and the self risk assessment questionnaire for renal disease / failure to the general public.

For more information on World Kidney Day @ Hong Kong, please visit http://eng.hkkf.org2.hk
Drs. A. Wong & S.F. Lui ask the audience: Are your kidneys OK?

Drs. A. Wong & S.F. Lui present souvenirs to Mr. A. Wu and Dr. C.H. Leong

Drs. A. Wong, C.H. Leong, Mr. A. Wu & Dr. S.F. Lui (from L to R) demonstrate the correct position of our kidneys.

Participants respond to the question by the M.C. (車淑梅小姐): Who can drink 8 glasses of water every day?

Dr. C.S. Li explains the findings of the survey on the general knowledge on "Kidneys".

Prof. Philip Li introduces the Screening Program for Relatives of Patients with CKD.

Patients' representatives, guests & organizers sing the song "再次顯真我" together.
HA Commissioned Training on Infection Control in HD Units

The HA Commissioned Training on Infection Control in HD Units, jointly organized by the Centre for Health Protection, HA Central Renal Committee, Hong Kong Kidney Foundation and our Society was held in the Shaw Auditorium of the Post-graduate Centre (CUHK) in Prince of Wales Hospital on March 25, 2007. Ms. Cheryl Hyde, Manager of the Sydney Dialysis Centre, Australia; Dr. Matthew Arduino, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, USA and Prof. Geoffrey Taylor, University of Alberta, Canada were the invited overseas speakers.

In addition, a number of local experts including Dr. W.W. Yew (COS, TB & Chest Unit, TGH), Dr. Raymond Lai (COS, Dept. of Microbiology, PWH) & Ms. Patricia Ching (Infection Control Nurse, QMH) also delivered talks on various aspects of infection control in HD units of our own locality.

HKSN Richard Yu Endowment Fund & Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Awards

The Council is pleased to announce that the recipient of this year’s Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award will be Prof. Philip Li while the recipient of the Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Award will be Prof. Fernand Lai. Prof. Li is the Chief of Nephrology of the Department of Medicine & Therapeutics, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Prince of Wales Hospital. Prof. Lai is a Professor at the Department of Anatomical & Cellular Pathology, the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Prof. Li and Prof. Lai will deliver their Award Lectures during our ASM in November.

香港腎科護士學會成立典禮

香港腎科護士學會於年初正式成立，並於2007年4月21日在伊利沙伯醫院舉行了成立典禮，黃俶民醫生代表腎科學會出席典禮，並向香港腎科護士學會同人，表達了熱烈的祝賀。
L.K.E.C. Public seminar on "Diabetes & your Kidney"

Dr. F.K. Li, K.S. Choi and Francis Wong represented our Society to deliver three public talks on diabetic nephropathy in the public seminar entitled "Diabetes & your Kidney". The Seminar was organized by L.K.E.C. and was held in Y.M.C.A., Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon on April 14 & 15, 2007.

Dr. F.K. Li explains to the audience how DM affects their kidneys.

HKSN Research Grant

The application deadline for the HKSN Research Grant 2007 has been extended to June 28, 2007. Information on the application procedure can be found in our society's website: www.hksn.org. The research grant proposals will then be sent to local and overseas experts for review. Applicants will be notified of their results in early August. The Research Grants will be awarded during our Annual Scientific Meeting in November.

Renal Patient Gateball Competition

This Year's Renal Patient Gateball Competition will be held in the Kowloon Park Indoor Sports Ground on June 17, 2007 (Sunday). Please come & support the event.
Scientific Symposium

A Scientific Symposium on "The new era of secondary hyperparathyroidism treatment" by Prof. Daniel W. Coyne from Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, USA, was held in Eaton Hotel on May 10, 2007. The Symposium was attended by 65 members of our Society.

Histopathology Short Course organized by the International Academy of Pathologists, HK Division (HKIAP)

The International Academy of Pathologists (HK Division) has organized a Histopathology Short Course on Medical Renal Pathology, which will be held on 11th August 2007 (2-5p.m.) in PWH. The invited speaker is Professor J. Charles Jennette (Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill). Prof. Jennette is a world famous renal pathologist and the author of the newest edition of the AFIP book on non-neoplastic Kidney Diseases. The course is also open to nephrologists. We have made an arrangement with HKIAP to have the registration fee for the course waived for all our members. Registration can be made through the HKIAP Newsletter 2007 in their web site: http://www.hkiap.org/ Please indicate that you are a member of the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology on the form so that your registration fee can be waived.

New Honorary Legal Advisor

Ms. Jenny Lee (李靜安律師) of Raymond T.Y. Chan Victoria Chan & Co. has kindly agreed to accept our Chairman’s invitation to serve as Honorary Legal Advisor of our Society.

Inter-hospital Renal Meeting

The Inter-hospital Renal Meeting is held regularly in the Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block A, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. The timetable of this year Interhospital Renal Meeting has been uploaded to our Society's website. PowerPoint slides of the Presentations will also be posted in our website. Members of HKSN will be informed of the titles of the presentations by email before every meeting. Please inform us at office@hksn.org when there is change in your email address. The schedule of the Inter-hospital Renal Meetings for the next three months is listed as follow:

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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
Upcoming Events / Important Dates at a Glance

Symposium on Home Hemodialysis
Date: June 15, 2007 (Friday)
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel

Symposium on Anemia Management Update
Date: August 15, 2007 (Wed)
Venue: To be confirmed

Renal Patients' Gateball Competition
Date: June 17, 2007 (Sunday)
Venue: Kowloon Park Indoor Sportground

Symposium on APD
(Co-organized by HKKF/HKSN/HA)
Date: September 23, 2007 (Sunday)
Venue: To be confirmed

Histopathology Short Course
(Organized by HKIAP)
Date: August 11, 2007 (Saturday)
Venue: PWH

Annual Scientific Meeting
Date: Nov 18, 2007 (Sunday)
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel

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 scwtang@hku.hk. 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 HKJN.

Membership application and Change of Address

New membership application and notification of change of 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: pmhrenal@gmail.com)

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