

Newsletter



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No. of Members:
Regular members: 446
Associate members: 159
Life members: 20

Website

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our activities.

In this year's BGM, we are honoured to have invited Professor Woo Yin Ling from the University of Malaya to present on 'A New Era in Women's Health: Advancing Cervical Cancer Screening through Self-sampling'. Professor Woo is well known for her innovative 'Project Rose' which had made remarkable progress in enhancing cervical cancer screening access in Malaysia through the introduction of self-sampling.

Cervical cancer screening in Hong Kong is undergoing revolutionary changes where HKCOG had recommended HPV testing as the preferred method for screening and monitoring in the updated Cervical Cancer Prevention and Screening Guideline published in January 2024. Members of HKSCCP had presented in multiple meetings of the changes to the O&G community. Infrastructure and physician awareness are vital for such changes to be possible. HPV testing had been made accessible to most of the public O&G units and more private screening had utilized HPV testing. HKSCCP will continue to take the lead in providing an up-to-date education for the healthcare community to uphold the standard in cervical pathologies management.

In the past 2 years, we had waived the annual subscription fee for members in view of the sound financial situation of the Society. Currently, HKSCCP has a total of 20 life members, 446 regular members and 159 associate members. Your support is the cornerstone for our success. We look forward to seeing you in our coming activities and we welcome any suggestions for improvement.



Dr. Jacqueline Lee Ho Sze
President

The Hong Kong Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology

Accreditation of Colposcopists

The Hong Kong College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (HKCOG) organizes a specialist colposcopist and trainer colposcopists accreditation programme. In support of this, The HKSCCP has regular educational activities including basic colposcopy workshops, colposcopy refresher courses, and clinical pathology conferences, to encourage and facilitate training in colposcopy-related areas. Doctors performing colposcopy in their clinical practice are welcome to apply for accreditation as colposcopists. The details of the training criteria were last updated in 2021 and are published on both the HKCOG and HKSCCP website.

Re-accreditation of Colposcopists

Re-accreditation of colposcopists is essential to ensure the standard of our colposcopists. Colposcopists are required to perform a certain number of colposcopies to be eligible for re-accreditation. The rules and regulations for re-accrediting specialist colposcopists, colposcopy trainers, and colposcopy service centers were revised in December 2021. Details of the updated re-accreditation criteria are published on both HKCOG and HKSCCP websites.

The re-accreditation exercise is held every 3 years by the HKCOG and the latest cycle was completed on 31 December 2023. As of 12th September 2024, there are 56 accredited specialist colposcopists, 36 of whom were granted colposcopy trainer status.

Accreditation of Smear Takers

Pap smear is the cornerstone for cervical cancer screening and detection of precancerous lesions. Nurses who perform pap smears are welcomed to apply for accreditation as smear takers. Detailed information for the application requirements is listed on our website (<http://www.hksccp.org.hk/index2.php?title=2&page=1>). With the success of the smear taker workshop held in 2023 and 2024, there are 25 newly accredited smear takers in 2023-2024.

Re-accreditation of Smear Takers

Re-accreditation of smear taker is essential to ensure the standard of our accredited smear taker. The re-accreditation exercise will be held every 3 years. Smear takers can refer to our website for details on re-accreditation. In 2023-2024, there is 1 smear taker who successfully re-accredited.

Re-accreditation as a provider of CNE (Continuing Nursing Education) and CEM (Continuing Education of Midwifery)

The HKSCCP has been re-accredited as a provider of CNE (Continuing Nursing Education) and CEM (Continuing Education of Midwifery) by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong in November 2023.

Activities in 2023 and 2024

Clinical Pathological Conference 13 September 2023

This live online meeting was organized jointly with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH), with 43 participants attending. Dr Cheuk Wah, Consultant in Anatomical Pathology, Department of Pathology, QEH was invited to speak together with Dr Cheung Yui Shing, Aries, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology on Paget's Disease of Vulva.

Smear Taker Workshop on the 16 and 23 September 2023

This in-patient workshop was jointly organized with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. The workshop included 2 days of lectures and a written examination, which took place on the 7th October 2023. We had 33 participants this year. Should participants wish to pursue HKSCCP accreditation as a smear taker, they have to undergo further practicum training.

33rd Refresher Course 18th December 2023

This live online meeting was organized jointly with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Princess Margaret Hospital, with 47 participants.

Basic Colposcopy Workshop, 20th January 2024

This workshop was organized jointly with by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital. The Basic Colposcopy Workshop is one of the training requirements for accreditation of colposcopist, as well as part of O&G Specialist training. This year we have resumed an in-person workshop. Various speakers, including a pathologist, gynaecologists and a gynae-oncologist were invited to give lectures on the basic principles and practical applications of colposcopy and HPV testing, management of VAIN, as well as on the latest updates in the Management of abnormal smear from the HKCOG Guideline published in 2024. To facilitate engagement of the participants, an interactive case discussion using real time voting via an online platform was used, and was well received by the participants. A video virtual laboratory tour was also included in the workshop. We had a great response to the workshop with 42 participants attending the workshop.

Clinical Pathological Conference 18 June 2024

The Clinical Pathological Conference was jointly organized with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, United Christian Hospital via live Zoom, where 3 cases of VIN were discussed. Dr Richard Wong from the Department of Pathology was also invited to share his insights on the pathology of vulval squamous precursor lesions

34th Refresher Course 31st October 2024

This live online meeting was jointly organized with the Family Planning Association Hong Kong. 50 participants attended this event. Dr Grace Wong shared very interesting colposcopy related cases, including cases of discrepancy of smear and colposcopies, vaginal pathology, and it was a interactive session using real time polling by the participants.

12th Biennial General Meeting (BGM) and Scientific Symposium 14th November 2024

We are honoured to have invited Prof. Woo Yin Ling from the University of Malaya to speak to us on “Advancing Cervical Cancer Screening through Self Sampling”. The symposium will be delivered in hybrid format: via Zoom and in person manner. The BGM, however, will not be broadcasted online. Those who wish to vote but are not able to attend the event in person, can vote via the proxy form

Co-organizing and supporting activities of other organisations

The HKSCCP was a co-organiser of the following events

- HKCOG 35th Anniversary International Conference 24 to 26 November 2023
- The Family Planning Association, “New Horizon in Cervical Cancer Screening and Prevention”, 30 September 2023
 - Dr. Jacqueline Lee: “HPV Testing: What has it changed?”
- Annual Scientific Meeting of the Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Hong Kong (OGSHK) 5-6th Oct 2024: The HKSCCP sessions was held on the 6th October 2024 afternoon.
 - Invited Speaker: Prof. Wichai Termrungruanglert: “Self-Sampling for HPV testing and its Application in Thailand” and “Triage of HPV Positive Screening Test”
 - Dr Jacqueline Lee: “HKCOG 2024: Cervical Cancer Screening Guideline: surveillance after Colposcopy and Treatment of CIN
 - Dr Siew Fei Ngu: “HKCOG 2024 Cervical Cancer Screening Guideline and Management of Abnormal Screening Results

Please refer to our website for all of forthcoming activities in 2025 and onwards.

The HKSCCP Website

Our President, Dr Jacqueline Lee was interviewed by a Health channel 《健康旦》 where she talked about cervical cancer prevention

The video is available on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ItF8eGqUKE>

The video link is also available on the HKSCCP website since January 2024

News and activities of the Society are announced in our website which is updated consistently. Photos and lecture notes of our meetings can be found at the “Archive” section. Members interested in the meeting lectures can review them on our website.

Feedback on the website is most welcomed, the website address is: <http://www.hksccp.org.hk/>.

Welcome to New Members

Medical practitioners, health related workers and individuals who are interested in colposcopy, cervical pathology and cervical cancer screening are welcomed to join our Society. Interested parties can refer to our website: <http://www.hksccp.org.hk> for membership application details.

Update of Member's Particular

For members who have changed their particulars, please inform us by email at admin@hksccp.org.hk.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you in the Society's future meetings!

Honorary Secretary
Dr. Jessica Law