

Newsletter



The Hong Kong Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology

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NO. OF MEMBERS:

Voting members-124

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President's Message

Our Society has resumed its momentum after the recovery from SARS. In October, we held a colposcopy workshop where we first introduced an interactive session on a couple of case scenarios. This would form the basis of our future workshops in providing about 25 sets of colposcopic images for quiz and interactive discussion. This session would be recognized as part of the re-accreditation requirement when a colposcopist who has already done at least 50 colposcopic examinations (according to the HKCOG guidelines) and wishes to complete the re-accreditation requirement of 150 colposcopic examinations in a 3 year cycle. Of course, our Society will also continue to provide CME activities related to colposcopy and cervical pathology. We have held 2 CPCs one in September 2003 and one in February 2004. If any member would like to contribute to the CPC or to the Colposcopy imaging workshop, please feel free to contact any council member. Also, the Society is planning for another basic colposcopy training workshop later in the year. Your input on its format or content is much welcome.

I would like to draw members' attention to the forthcoming accreditation of colposcopy service. We are planning to formulate visitation in July this year and hence would be able

to accreditate colposcopy service centres before the end of the year. For interested members, please submit your application as soon as possible.

The Society would like to congratulate HKSAR Government in the launching of the Population Cervical Cancer Screening Programme on March 8, 2004. I would like to call for support from all members to join the CSP and ask for consent of your patients to submit data to the Central Registry which would facilitate call and re-call of patients for repeat screenings and for appropriate management of abnormal screening tests. This would greatly facilitate auditing of the CSP.

Hextan Ngan

Biennial General Meeting 2004

Our next BGM will be held in November this year. The Office Bearers and Council Members of our society will be due for retirement. Nominations for election of Office Bearers and Council Members of the Society will be opened. The details will be announced later.

Accreditation of Smear Takers

We are now inviting applications for the accreditation of smear takers. The criteria for application is available on the internet. A number of applications have been received. The list of accredited smear takers will soon be announced in our website <http://www.hksccp.org.hk/>.

Clinical Pathological Conference

Two CPCs were organized in September 2003 and February 2004 and were well attended. There will not be any CPC in this year.

The First Refresher Course for Accredited Colposcopists

The first refresher course as proposed by the Colposcopy Accreditation Subcommittee will be held on April 29 this year. Twenty-five colposcopy cases will be discussed in the workshop and the cases will be counted for later re-accreditation. Please go to our website for further details <http://www.hksccp.org.hk/>.

Colposcopy Database

The colposcopy audit programme has been incorporated into the Clinical Management System of the Hospital Authority and this has been utilized for consultation and data entry since January 2004. The same programme has also been sent to all accredited colposcopists for future re-accreditation. Your feedback on this programme is welcome.

Honorary Secretary

Our Honorary Secretary, Dr. K.F. Tam informed the Council of his resignation in December 2003 due to personal reason. The council accepted his resignation. Dr. Y.M. Chan has been appointed by the Council to fill up the office and the appointment would last till the next BGM.

Annual Subscription

The Annual Membership Subscription for the year 2004 has been due. As the Society is still young, we need the full physical and financial support from all of you. Please fill in the subscription form and send it back to us, at your earliest convenience.

Donations

Our society is in need of funds for our development and regular activities. Any suggestions from members regarding ways in fundraising or potential sponsor would be much appreciated. Please contact the Honorary Secretary for any of your ideas through

the email pmykwok@hkucc.hku.hk.

Thanks again for your support.

Honorary Secretary