



The Paediatric Neurology Association of Hong Kong (PNAHK) was inaugurated on December 4 2009. The aim of the Association is to maintain and advance the knowledge and the standard of management and care for children and adolescents with neurological disorders in Hong Kong.

The PNAHK also acts as an advocate for these children and adolescents with developmental, educational and rehabilitation needs.

The Association organises scientific, academic and social meetings in order to encourage interchange of ideas with consensus on standardisation and cooperation in the management of neurological disorders in children. In addition, it coordinates territory-wide paediatric neurology services, researches and training and the most important mandate is the accreditation of this subspecialty in Hong Kong. Local, national, regional and international organisations interested in the field of paediatric neurology will be liaised to achieve the objective of our Association.

The founding members of our Association consisted of 33 paediatric neurologists from all 12 public hospitals under the Hospital Authority, 2 academic institutes (the University of Hong Kong and the Chinese University of Hong Kong) and the private sector in Hong Kong. The Founding President is Professor Virginia Wong (the University of Hong Kong); Vice President is Dr Wu Shun-ping (Associate Consultant of Queen Elizabeth Hospital); Honorary Secretary is Dr KWONG Ling, (Consultant of Tuen Mun Hospital) and the Honorary Treasurer is Dr Chan Kwok-yin (Consultant of Princess Margaret Hospital). Most of our members had been members of the Asian Oceanian Association of Child Neurology (AOACN) and the International Child Neurology Association (ICNA).

Any Paediatric fellow who is fully registered under the Medical Registration Ordinance and has completed training in paediatric neurology shall be eligible for application to be admitted as a Full Member of the Association upon the written recommendation of two Full Members of the Association. Any person who is interested in the field of paediatric neurology but is not qualified as Full Membership shall be eligible for application to be admitted as an Associate Member of the Association upon the written recommendation of two Full Members.

The theme of our inauguration symposium was "Neurometabolic and Neurotransmitter Diseases" with experts invited from the University of Melbourne. Regular bimonthly scientific meetings and annual scientific meetings are organised. We look forward to future cooperation with all our international paediatric neurologists who are dedicated to improve the care of neurodevelopmental disorders in children.

News from Member Societies

1. Hong Kong Society of Critical Care Medicine

Updated office-bearers for the year 2010-2011 are as follows: President: Dr. Wing-wa YAN; Honorary Secretary: Dr. Alfred Yan-fat CHAN; Honorary Treasurer: Dr. Osburga Pik-kei CHAN

2. Hong Kong Society of Orthodontists

Updated office-bearers are as follows: President: Dr. Vincent LEUNG; Honorary Secretary: Dr. C.D. TRAN; Honorary Treasurer: Dr. Lily SHUM

3. Hong Kong Urological Association

Updated office-bearers for the year 2010-2012 are as follows: President: Dr. Peggy Sau-kwan CHU; Honorary Secretary: Dr. Steve Wai-hee CHAN; Honorary Treasurer: Dr. Chi-wai FAN

4. The Hong Kong Medical Association

Updated office-bearers for the year 2010-2012 are as follows: President: Dr. CHOI Kin; Honorary Secretary: Dr. Fook-kay LEE; Honorary Treasurer: Dr. Chi-chiu LEUNG

The FMSHK would like to send its congratulations to the new office-bearers and look forward to working together with the societies.