Younger Fellows Chapter

Succession rests with new blood and it's especially true for younger fellow chapter. By definition, "Younger Fellows" are Fellows who are within 10 years after they have obtained their fellowship and it means the status will expire automatically.

For better division of labor and better representation over various specialties, a number of young fellows who are willing to contribute their valuable time to our young fellows are called upon and their positions in the Younger Fellow Committee (YFC) are as follows:

Chairman: Kwan Tim Lok (General Surgery, CMC)

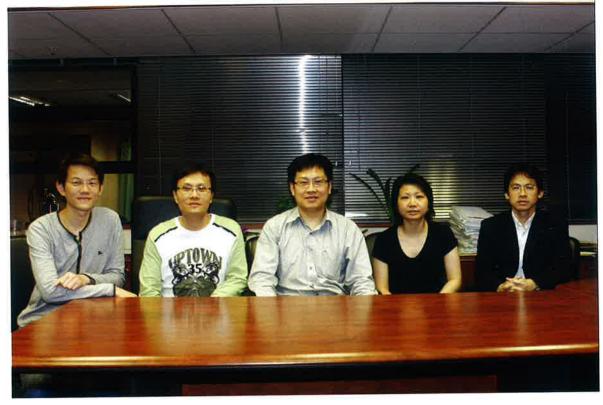
Vice- Chairman: Chan Suk Ha, Vana (Plastic Surgery, KWH)

Secretary: Day Weida (General Surgery, KWH) Treasurer: Tsang Shiu Hei (General Surgery, QEH) Internal Affair: Chan Kin Chun (General Surgery, UCH)

Publication: Ho Pak Kin (General Surgery, QEH)

Research: Ho Kwan Lun (Urology, QMH) Advisor: Chad Tse (General Surgery, QEH)

The YFC shares the missions that the younger fellow chapter



- To act as a conduit of younger fellows views to be represented to College Council.
- To empower younger fellows involvement in the College of Surgeons of Hong Kong
- To help younger fellows for professional practice in surgery especially in area of finance, business, practice management and professional development skills.
- To enhance a sense of belonging and fraternity amongst the younger fellows

This year is a special year for young fellows. The original idea of younger fellow chapter was originated from Australasian surgeons. Every year, Younger Fellows Forum is held and it facilitates exploration, discussion, and debate of a wide range of ideas and issues that concern and interest Younger Fellows in the hope of making recommendations to college council. In May this year, there will be conjoint annual scientific congress of CSHK and Royal Australasian College of surgeons in Hong Kong and the annual younger

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fellow forum will be held locally as well. It indeed marks a significant event for our younger fellows and we urge you for your participation.

In latter time of this year, we are planning to organize activities concerning career development sharing. We will keep you updated through this column.

Hong Kong is a small place. We have limited number of fellows from individual colleges each year but not every one of them would be interested in running their college. Earlier involvement in learning about the business of colleges will help to appreciate the immense effort of predecessors and it is another important role of YFC. In the last issue of Hong Kong Academy of Medicine newsletter, Prof Grace Tang in her president's message expressed her concern on succession of individual colleges and the Academy. She called on



colleges" to groom their young fellows to take part in activities of their college". I hope the YFC could also act as an option for a smoother succession of colleges and academy in the future.

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