

香港放射科醫學院的聲明

為回應近日公眾對(一)錯誤注射長春新鹼事件、(二)專責調查委員會發表的報告、以及(三)部份腫瘤科醫生未能掌握脊髓注射長春新鹼的假設，因而可能引起的關注，香港放射科醫學院現作出以下的聲明：

- (一) 香港放射科醫學院轄下的臨床腫瘤科培訓均極為嚴謹及全面，培訓內容包括正規課堂教學及在督導下進行臨床服務培訓，以涵蓋各個範疇的臨床腫瘤實踐，當中包括了各種化療藥物的正確使用方法。事實上，本院在專科考試的內容都經常加入了如何安全及適當地使用脊髓注射化療藥物的題目。所有完成訓練及通過考核的臨床腫瘤科專科醫生均具有充足的專業知識及能力，包括掌握長春新鹼及許多其它化療藥物均不能及不應用作脊髓注射。
- (二) 香港放射科醫學院對專責委員會的報告表示歡迎，特別是報告中建議改善「制度因素」（即根據國際指引，為所有進行脊髓化療的公立醫院建立標準運作程序），以防止類似醫療事故再次發生。本院亦支持報告建議所有受訓中的醫生必須在執行臨床工作以外，安排指定時間接受正規教學課程，以維持專業水平。

Statement of Hong Kong College of Radiologists

In response to the possible public concern on the medication incident of intrathecal injection of vincristine, the publication of the Special Investigation Panel report, and the postulation that many oncologists were not aware of the harm of intrathecal injection of vincristine, the Hong Kong College of Radiologists would like to make the following statements:

1. The Clinical Oncology training program of the Hong Kong College of Radiologists is a vigorous and comprehensive program with formal teaching courses and supervised in-service training to cover the various aspects of Clinical Oncology practice, including the use of chemotherapeutic agents through different routes of administration. In fact, questions were regularly set on the safety and use of intrathecal chemotherapeutic agents in the professional examination papers of Clinical Oncology. Thus all Clinical Oncologists are fully competent in the use of chemotherapeutic agents, including the fact that vincristine and many other chemotherapeutic agents cannot and should not be administered intrathecally.
2. The Hong Kong College of Radiologists welcomes the report of the Special Investigation Panel, in particular the proposals to improve the system (to establish standard operating procedures in all public hospitals which administer intrathecal chemotherapy that are based on international guidelines) in order to prevent similar incident in future, and the proposal to allow protected time for trainees to attend formal teaching courses.