REPORT FROM THE WARDEN
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2018 – 2019

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We would be delighted to report our continuing success to discharge the duty of upholding the standards of our profession in the past year, thanks to the contribution from members of the Education Committee and its Subcommittees (Please refer to Appendix I for the membership of the Subcommittees).

Examination and Exit Assessment

In the Fellowship Examinations held jointly with The Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) of the United Kingdom, the success rates were 85.7% (18 out of 21 local candidates) for the Final Examination (Part B) in Clinical Radiology, and 66.7% (2 out of 3 local candidates) for the Final Examination (Part B) in Clinical Oncology.

The exercise of Exit Assessment for completion of training was held in July 2018 and January 2019 with 4 and 22 trainees successful in the respective sittings. The conduction of Exit Assessment was smooth and valuable feedbacks were received from assessors.

In Nuclear Medicine, the First Examination for the Fellowship in Nuclear Medicine was held in December 2018 and June 2019 respectively. Three candidates were awarded a pass. The Final Examination for the Fellowship in Nuclear Medicine was held in December 2018. One out of two candidates was successful.

The Fifth Palliative Medicine Board Examination was held on 24 April 2019. All 8 candidates were awarded a pass.

The names of examiners, observers and successful candidates in the various examinations and exit assessments for each discipline were listed in Annexes A and B.

The College sought to ensure smooth running of every key components of the examinations and Exit Assessment, and this could only be achieved through dedicated support by the Assessment Panels, external and local examiners, examination invigilators, working group of examination planning and voluntary helpers from various hospitals as well as the College Secretariat. I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of them for their efforts.

To uphold standard and to keep abreast with international development, the College has resolved to strengthen the governance of matters relating to examination and assessment. In September 2017, the Examination Board of College, chaired by Dr. Stephen Cheung, was formed to oversee the conduction of examination and assessment and to steer the future development in this regard. The key mission of the examination board is to develop overarching policies and to provide structural management for examinations and assessment of the three specialties of the College. Functionally, the Examination Board would also work closely with the RCR to make necessary arrangement in accordance to the updated changes of examination format. It would also shoulder the task of periodical review of the examiners pool to cope with future needs. As Hong Kong is evolving as an international hub of Fellowship Examinations of Radiology and the number of candidates, locally and overseas, keeps on increasing, the Examination Board is vested with the responsibility to plan and take necessary preparation to expand the capacity of candidates in the future examinations and assessments.

In light of the on-going changes in the format and training curriculum of various components of FRCR examinations, our College will closely monitor the development and review the training and examination arrangement in the coming future.

Fellowship

Hong Kong College of Radiologists (HKCR) and The Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) jointly held ceremonies to admit new Fellows on 17th November 2018 in Hong Kong. Dr. Nicola Strickland, President of The Royal College of Radiologists was present to preside over the admission of 28 new Fellows of the Royal College. In the same evening, our College admitted 21 new Fellows. Professor Hedvig Hricak was conferred Honorary Fellowship of our College during the Joint Ceremonies for Admission of New Fellows of the RCR and HKCR on 17th November 2018.
Dr. Chow Chung Hang James from Department of Clinical Oncology of Queen Elizabeth Hospital was awarded the Dr. FL Chan Medal in the Exit Assessment, January 2019. The award presentation will be held in conjunction with the Joint Ceremonies for Admission of New Fellows of the RCR and HKCR on 16th November 2019.

On 30th June 2019, our College Fellowship stood at 583 (398 in Radiology, 164 in Clinical Oncology, and 21 in Nuclear Medicine). In addition, there were 18 Honorary Fellows and 8 Honorary Members.

Training System and Accreditation
In the past year, structured training in the different specialties had been continuously conducted at the various accredited training departments and central training courses were organized by the College. The standards of training build on the dedication of everyone involved in training activities. The College would like to thank the contribution of all specialists, medical physicists, technologists and scientists in these courses.

Structured reciprocal training was introduced into the revised Radiology and Nuclear Medicine training guidelines as mandatory requirement in 2017 and the related training activities have commenced since early 2018. My thanks go to the Radiology and Nuclear Medicine training centres for their cooperation and arrangement.

A meeting with all Training Heads was arranged on 16th July 2018 detailing matters relating to membership, education, training, examination and PET-CT training.

Scrutiny of Trainees' logbook / training records for comprehensive & relevant training at fixed check points was implemented in January 2017 and continued to be conducted in 2018 and 2019. I would like to thank the contribution and effort from all assessors from specialties of Radiology, Clinical Oncology and Nuclear Medicine to uphold the standard of training and to facilitate the Exit Assessment by improving the workload of assessors in reviewing the enormous information in training logbooks.

The revision of Clinical Referral Guidelines was finally accomplished. The second edition of Clinical Referral Guidelines had been uploaded to College website in February 2018 and the printed copies were delivered to the College members in March 2018. Our College would like to express our sincere gratitude to the members of the working groups, edit team and Education Committee for their contribution and effort in this revision exercise.

Scientific Activities
26th Annual Scientific Meeting of Hong Kong College of Radiologists, 17th – 18th November 2018
The 26th Annual Scientific Meeting was held on 17th-18th November 2018. The subspecialty focus sessions for this meeting were “Artificial Intelligence”, “Head and Neck Malignancies”, “Gastrointestinal Malignancies” and one multidisciplinary symposium on “NPC Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma” was organized. Overseas speakers included Prof. Sam Hjelmland Ahmedzai, Dr. Frances Anne Aitchison, Prof. Ash Chakraborthy, Prof. Jian Ping Dai, Dr. Zhong Zhe Lin, Prof. Hiromu Mori, Dr. Paddy Niblock, Mr. John Richard Novell, Prof. Seong Ho Park, Dr. I-Lun Shih, Dr. Nicola Strickland, Dr. Thomas Taylor, Prof. Dr. Thomas Wehler, Dr. Elena Macnaught Wilson. Local faculty were Dr. Jill Abrigo, Dr. Kwok Hung Au, Dr. Jimmy Yu Wai Chan, Dr. Tommy Ho Fung Chan, Dr. Wing Lok Chan, Dr. Chi Leung Chiang, Dr. Qi Dou, Dr. Dickson Hon Shing Fung, Dr. Wai Yin Ho, Prof. Ann King, Prof. Dora Lai Wan Kwong, Dr. Kwok Chi Lam, Prof. Anne Wing Mui Lee, Dr. Yim Ping Lee, Dr. Angus Kwong Chuen Leung, Dr. Thomas Wai Tong Leung, D. Shiohbon Yi Lu, Prof. Roger Kai Cheong Ngan, Dr. Shi Feng Nyaw, Dr. Darren Ming Chun Poon, Venerable Hin Hung Sik, Dr. Henry Chun Kin Sze, Mr. Chung Ting Tang, Dr. Vince Vardhanabhuti, Dr. Chi Ping Wong, Dr. Esther Man Fung Wong, Dr. Thomas Chung Cheung Yau, Prof. Winnie Yeo, Dr. David Ka Wai Yeung and Dr. Kwok Keung Yuen. The meeting was attended by over 740 participants. 86 proffered papers were accepted, 39 for oral presentation and 33 as posters.

Annex C lists the details of the scientific activities held during the year. Annex D lists the organizations and benefactors that the College would like to thank for their sponsorship of the activities.

Continuing Medical Education / Continuous Professional Development (CME/CPD)
Under the leadership of Dr. Stephen Cheung, our College’s CME/CPD Principles and Guidelines have been revised in line with the spirit of the HKAM for the development of Continuous Professional Development (CPD) for operation in cycle 2020-22, which was endorsed by the Academy Education Committee in June 2019. In the new guidelines to be implemented from 1 January 2020, the minimum active points a Fellow has to obtain in a cycle remains at 15 while the total number of points is still 90.

As of June 2019, a total of 548 Fellows in active practice and registered with HKCR are required to fulfill CME/CPD requirements for the new CME/CPD cycle ended on 31st December 2019. About 2% of Fellows have attained less than 4/9 of the required points after the second and a half years of the 2017-2019 cycle.

The College had also been regularly putting up “Case of the month” and other educational materials on the International Network for Continuing Medical Education & Continuous Professional Development (iCMECPD) of the Academy of Medicine for our Fellows to score self-study CME/CPD points on line. Members of the Homepage Subcommittee, Scientific Subcommittee and Editorial Board had been contributory towards this activity.
Education and Research

The Education and Research Fund, generated from the Radiology 2000 Congress, continued to provide grants to support radiologists from neighbouring territories. One doctor from Korea and one doctor from Chinese Taipei were supported by the Fund to participate in the 26th Annual Scientific Meeting of HKCR in 2018. The Fund had also supported the award for “The Best Original Paper for Hong Kong Journal of Radiology” in the meeting.

HKCR 15A Travelling Fellowship

The HKCR 15A Travelling Fellowship aims to provide Fellows of Hong Kong College of Radiologists with advanced overseas training in United Kingdom for their continuous professional development, which may include attachment, workshops, short training courses and study tours. The application for the HKCR 15A Travelling Fellowship 2019 was opened in February 2019 and the interview was convened in June 2019. One candidate, Dr. WU Philip Yuguang (Department of Clinical Oncology, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital) was successful in obtaining the grant. Dr. Wu planned to have 4 weeks training programme in Neuro-oncology at The Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre in Glasgow and The Christie in Manchester respectively. My thanks go to Chairman of the HKCR 15A Travelling Fellowship Subcommittee, Dr. WL Poon, and his team for overseeing the arrangement of the Travelling Fellowship.

The Education Committee and its Subcommittees earnestly express their appreciation of the support provided by the executive staff of the College and the secretaries of the various chairpersons or convenors. The College would also like to thank all Fellows who had been actively participating in various activities.

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