Notes on Continuing Medical Education/Continuous Professional Development (CME/CPD)

- 1. There is a resolution in Medical Council in March 2002 that CME/CPD would be made a requirement for all practicing doctors starting from January 2005. It is also anticipated that a 3-year practicing certificate would replace the existing 1-year certificate effective from January 2005 and that the specialist CME/CPD would be accepted for renewal of Practicing Certificate.
- 2. The Academy Council agreed in this respect that all CME/CPD cycles for existing Fellows shall start afresh from 1 January 2005 in order to synchronize the CME/CPD cycles with the duration of the Practicing Certificate. As a result, CME/CPD cycles started within 3 years before 1 January 2005 will have to be counted on a pro-rota basis.
- 3. The College Council has discussed and endorsed the proposed synchronization of CME/CPD cycles for our Fellows. As for our Inceptors and Members, the College would facilitate their registration with and returns to the Academy for CME/CPD purpose from January 2005.
- 4. In order to facilitate CME and to expedite CME update for individual Fellow, Fellow can access the International Network for Continuing Medical Education & Continuous Professional Development (www.icmecpd.hk) of the Academy. The system would allow Fellows to check on CME/CPD accredited events, to score CME/CPD points on MCQs set by Hong Kong Medical Journal and to update CME/CPD record in the future.

All Fellows are reminded to send in their annual CME/CPD returns in 2007 to Prof Linda Lam, Chairman, Education Committee, c/o Sabrina Hung, C/O Ms. Sabrina Hung, Room 906 Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong

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