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# Seminar on Medical Mediation and Apology Legislation

醫療調解與道歉法的制訂

Organized by CPD & Member Services Committee (CPDMSC)

#### **Contents**

It is not uncommon to see medical related disputes happen all the time. The existing dispute resolution procedure and complaint handling mechanism have been criticized as ineffective to resolve such disputes in Hong Kong. Apart from monetary claim, some patients and their families involved in medical disputes would expect receiving apology from the medical professionals and/or the hospital so as to smooth their sorrow and relieve their soreness. In fact, making an apology at the right time can be highly conducive to the conclusion of an amicable settlement.

Regarding this, the Steering Committee on Mediation of Secretary for Justice is currently studying on the desirability of introducing apology legislation in Hong Kong which would lead to a new leaf to the dispute resolution approaches in Hong Kong, in particular a substantive impact on the medical disputes. The SAR government is planning to make public consultation on the apology legislation shortly.

The discussion will focus mainly on providing an analysis of medical disputes and making an apology in medical incidents in the view of a mediator. The speaker will also give an overview of apology legislation and share his insights in training in making an apology.

# **CPD Points Granted:**

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## Guest Speaker

Dr Dai Lok Kwan, David JP MBBS (HK), FHKAM, FRCP, LLB (Hons.)

During his 30-year career in the medical profession, Dr Dai has specialised in geriatric, rehabilitation and pulmonary medicine. He has been the Consultant Geriatrician in the Department of Medicine at Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong, since 2002, and he holds honorary teaching positions at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong University. In addition, Dr Dai was a member of several Hong Kong Government Labour and Welfare Bureau steering committees and working groups studying issues relating to community care and residential care services for the elderly. He was a member of several Social Welfare Department committees and panels, and of the Guardianship Board's Panel. Besides, he serves as the Vice-chairman of the Hong Kong Alzheimer's Disease Association, and he is its Immediate Past President. In 2009, Dr Dai obtained his LLB as a personal enrichment, and became an accredited mediator in 2010. These two qualifications enhanced his work in complaint management in the Hospital Authority. Dr Dai is the Consultant of Hong Kong Mediation Centre. Dr Dai now chairs the Independent Committee for Handling Complaints of the Social Welfare Department from 2015. In 2012, Dr Dai was appointed Justice of the Peace. Dr Dai believes that an ordinary person can contribute to his fellow human through service, courage and passion.

### > Host

#### Mr. YAU Lut Pong, Leo

Council Member of Hong Kong Mediation Centre Co Chairperson of CPD and Member Services Committee

Date and Time:	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2015 (Thursday), 7:15 p.m. – 8:45p.m.
Registration Time:	6:45 p.m.
Venue:	Preston Training Centre
	Classroom 5, Rm 408 - 409, 4/F, Fortress Tower,
	250 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong
	(Fortress Hill MTR Station – Exit B)
	Please find the attached map for your reference.
Target Audience:	Panel Members / Associate Members / Non-members
Language:	Cantonese
Fee:	Panel Members: HK\$100
	Associate Members: HK\$150
	Non-members: HK\$200
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