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香港醫學專科學院

Introduction on Postgraduate Specialist Training

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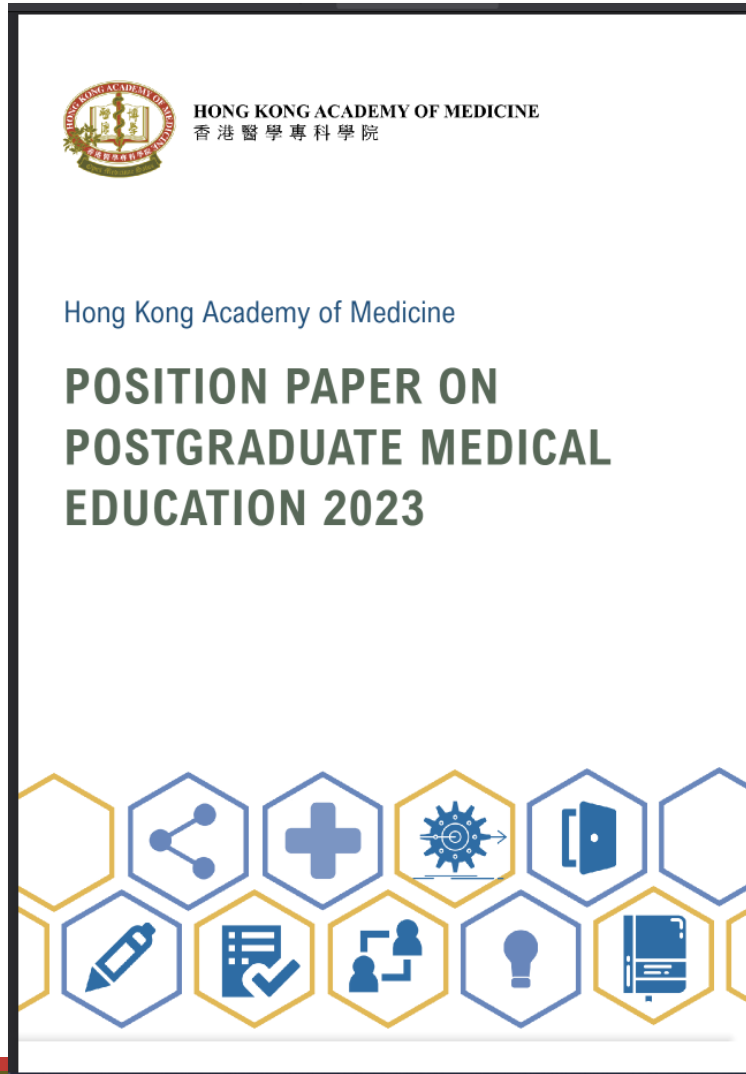
**HONG KONG
ACADEMY OF MEDICINE**
About us



Statutory Power of the Academy

- Established in **1993**, the Academy is **a statutory body** tasked with organising, monitoring, assessing, and accrediting all medical and dental specialist trainings in Hong Kong.
- Admits registered medical and dental practitioners as **Fellows** if they fulfill the training and examination requirements of the Academy
- **Determines CME requirements** for the Specialist Register
 - According to the Medical Registration Ordinance and Dentists Registration Ordinance, a specialist must fulfill the Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements if he/she wishes to **maintain his/her name in the Specialist Register**

Strategic Directions of Postgraduate Medical Education



Position Paper on

Postgraduate Medical Education (PGME)

- First published in **2010**, Updated in **2023**
- The Paper aimed at refining the specialist training process and better preparing healthcare professionals for their roles
- The updated Paper set **directions** for the Academy in fulfilling its fundamental responsibilities and functions within postgraduate medical education

Strategic Directions of Postgraduate Medical Education



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POSITION PAPER ON POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION 2023



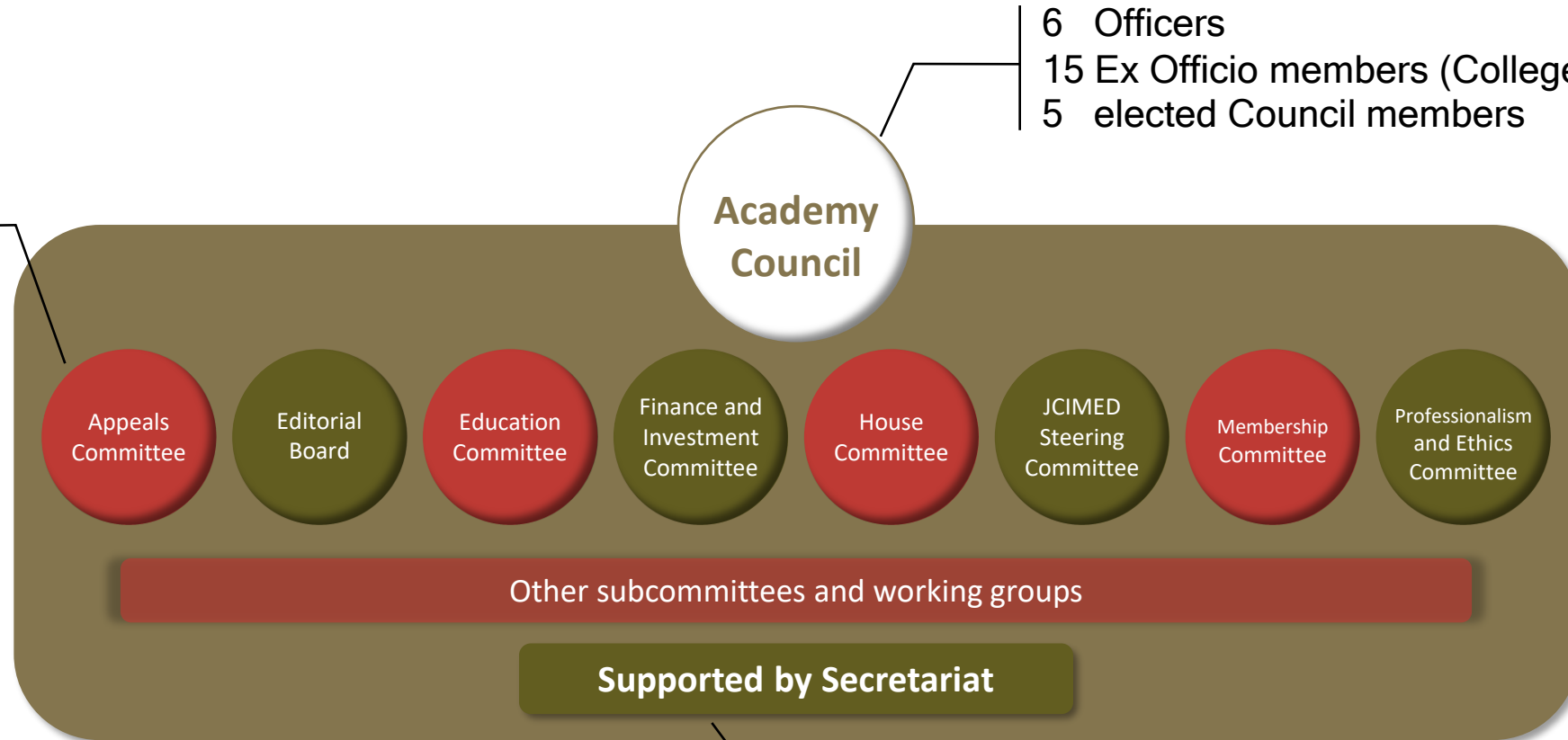
Four Strategic Directions:

- 1) Competency-based Medical Education (CBME)
- 2) Faculty Development
- 3) Continuing Medical Education / Continuous Professional Development (CME / CPD)
- 4) Quality Assurance

Management Structure



Committees formed under the Council to carry out our different functions for the Academy



Work of the Council, Committees and day-to-day operation of the Academy are supported and discharged by the Secretariat

Fifteen Specialty Colleges



Anaesthesiologists



Community Medicine



Dental Surgeons



Emergency Medicine



Family Physicians



Obstetricians & Gynaecologists



Ophthalmologists



Orthopaedic Surgeons



Otorhinolaryngologists



Paediatricians



Pathologists



Physicians



Psychiatrists



Radiologists



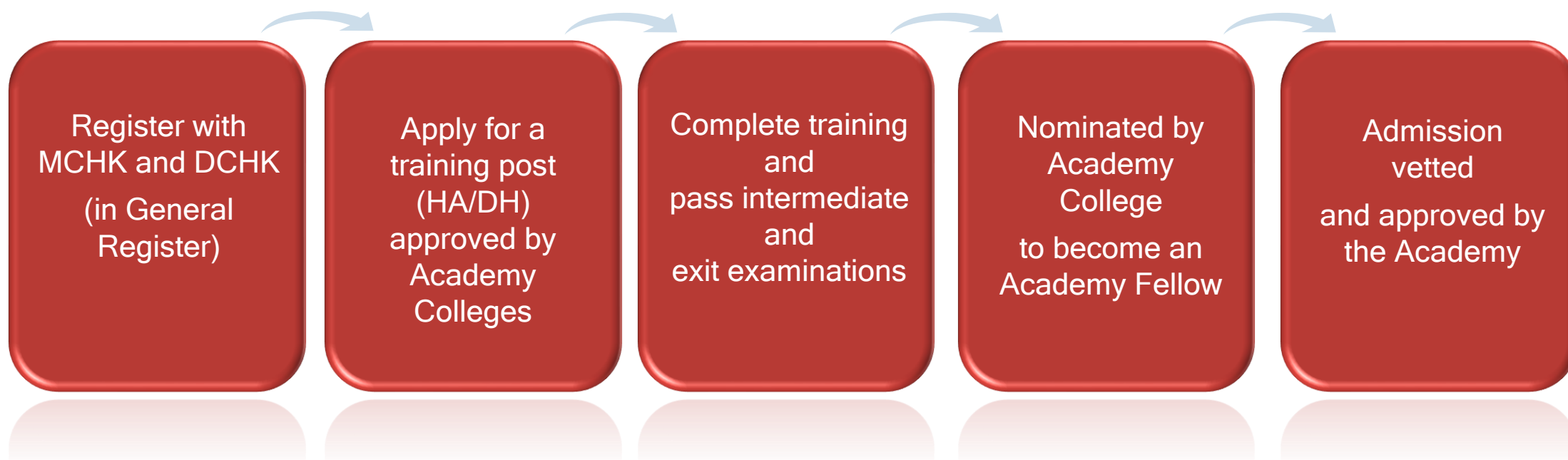
Surgeons

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BECOMING AN ACADEMY FELLOW

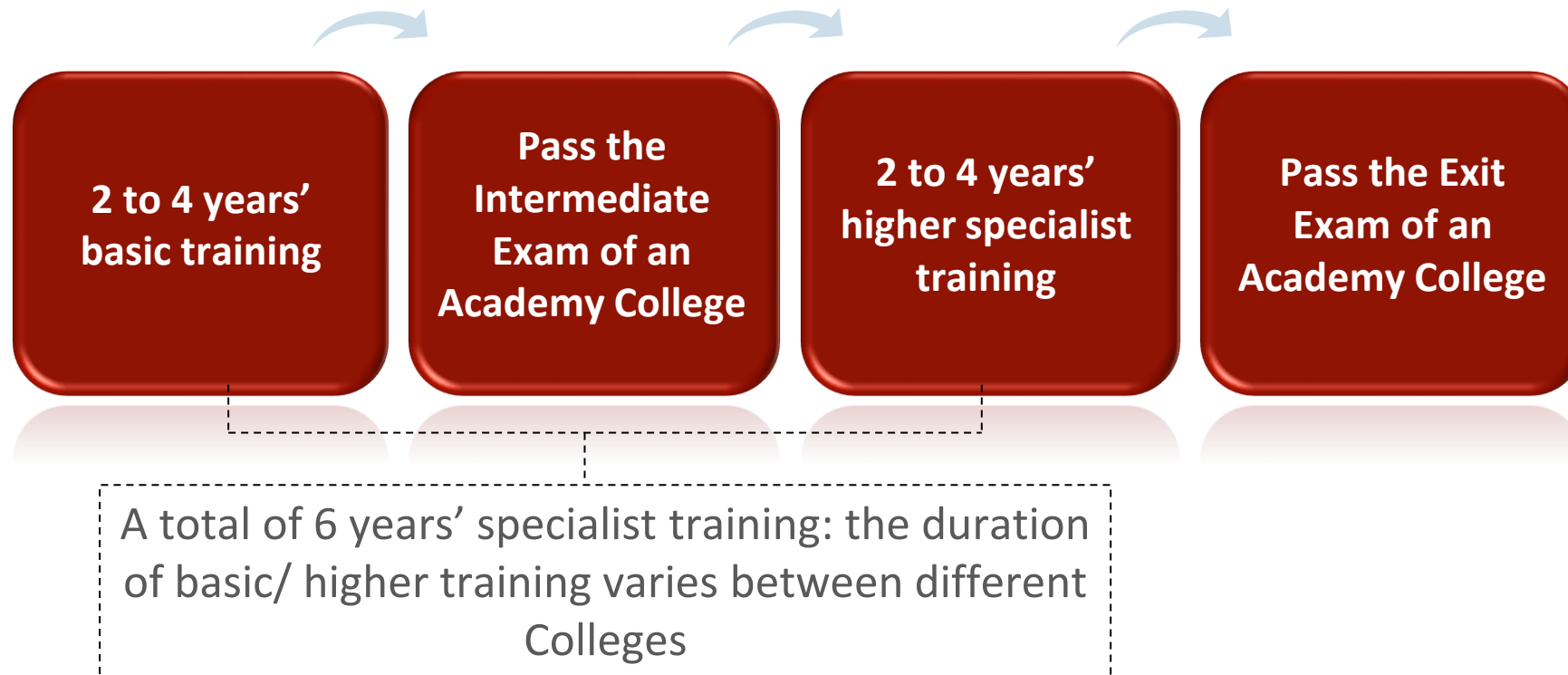
The path to a specialist

Becoming an Academy Fellow





Specialist Training & Examinations



Public Healthcare System in Hong Kong

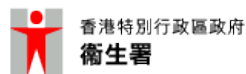


Hong Kong Academy of Medicine

- Train medical and dental specialists
- Organize, monitor, assess and accredit medical and dental **specialist training**
- Develop and uphold the training standard of specialists
- Vet training qualifications of candidates applying for specialist registration

Medical Council of Hong Kong/ Dental Council of Hong Kong

- Monitor medical/ dentist registrations on both **the General Register and Specialist Register**
- Regulate the **ethical conduct** of doctors/dentists



Hospital Authority / Department of Health

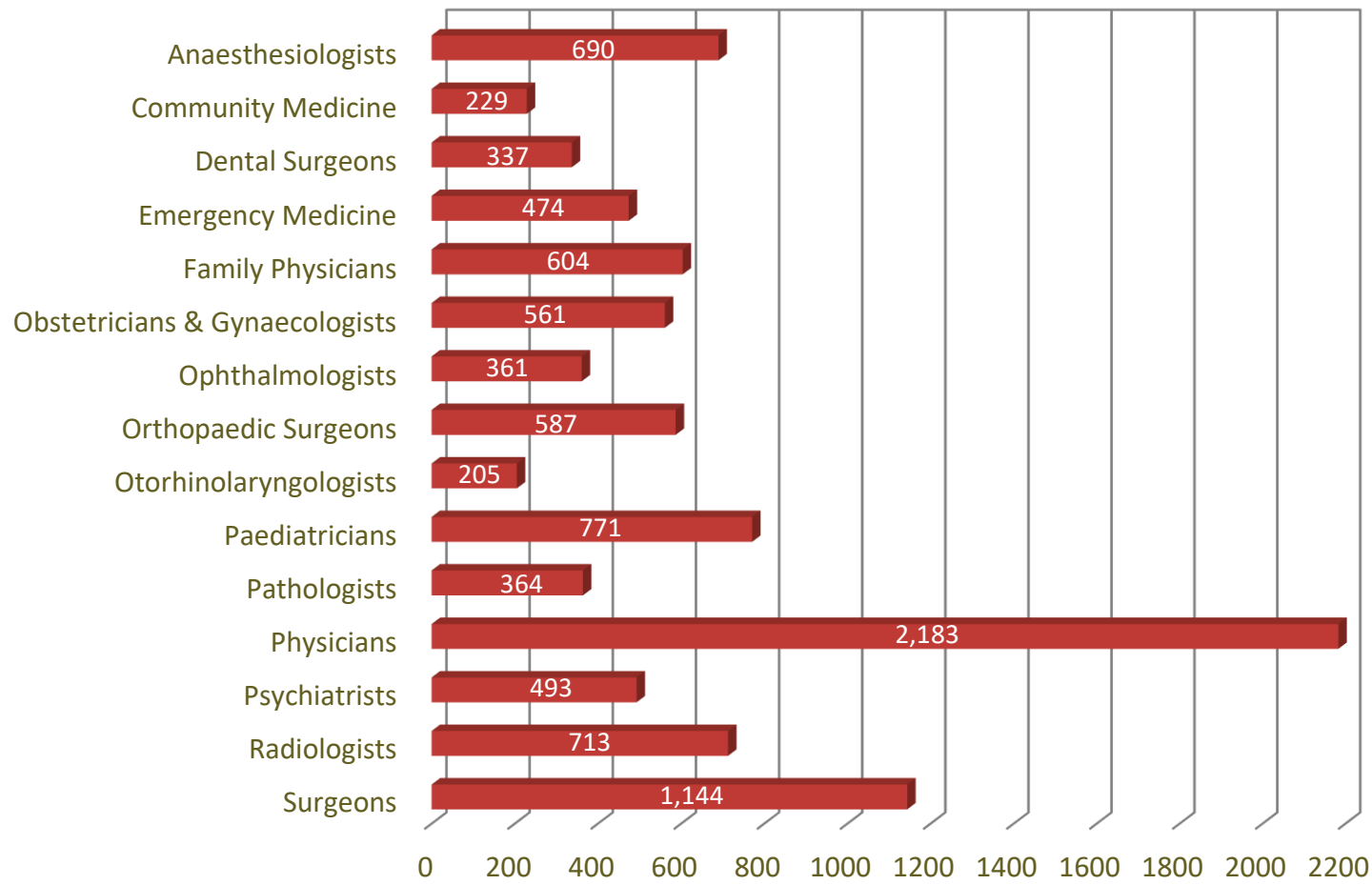
- Major **training sites** (Department of Health also provides training sites)
- Its hospitals offer training posts for specialist training as well as providing healthcare services to the public



Fellowship Statistics by Specialties

(as of Aug 2025)

Colleges



Number of Medical specialties: 66
Number of Dental specialties: 8

Number of Fellows

9,716

*Number of
Fellows*

Fellowship Statistics

Academy Fellows by Colleges (2014 - 2024)

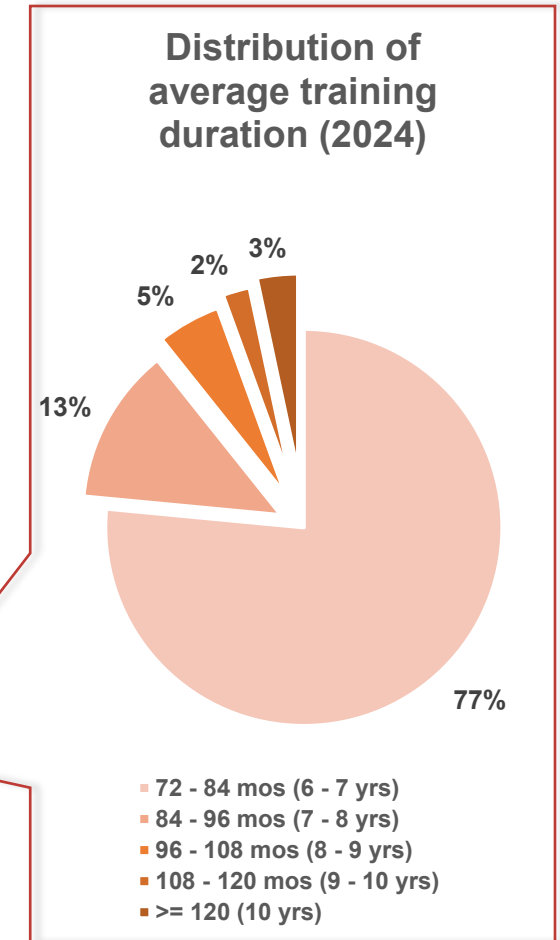
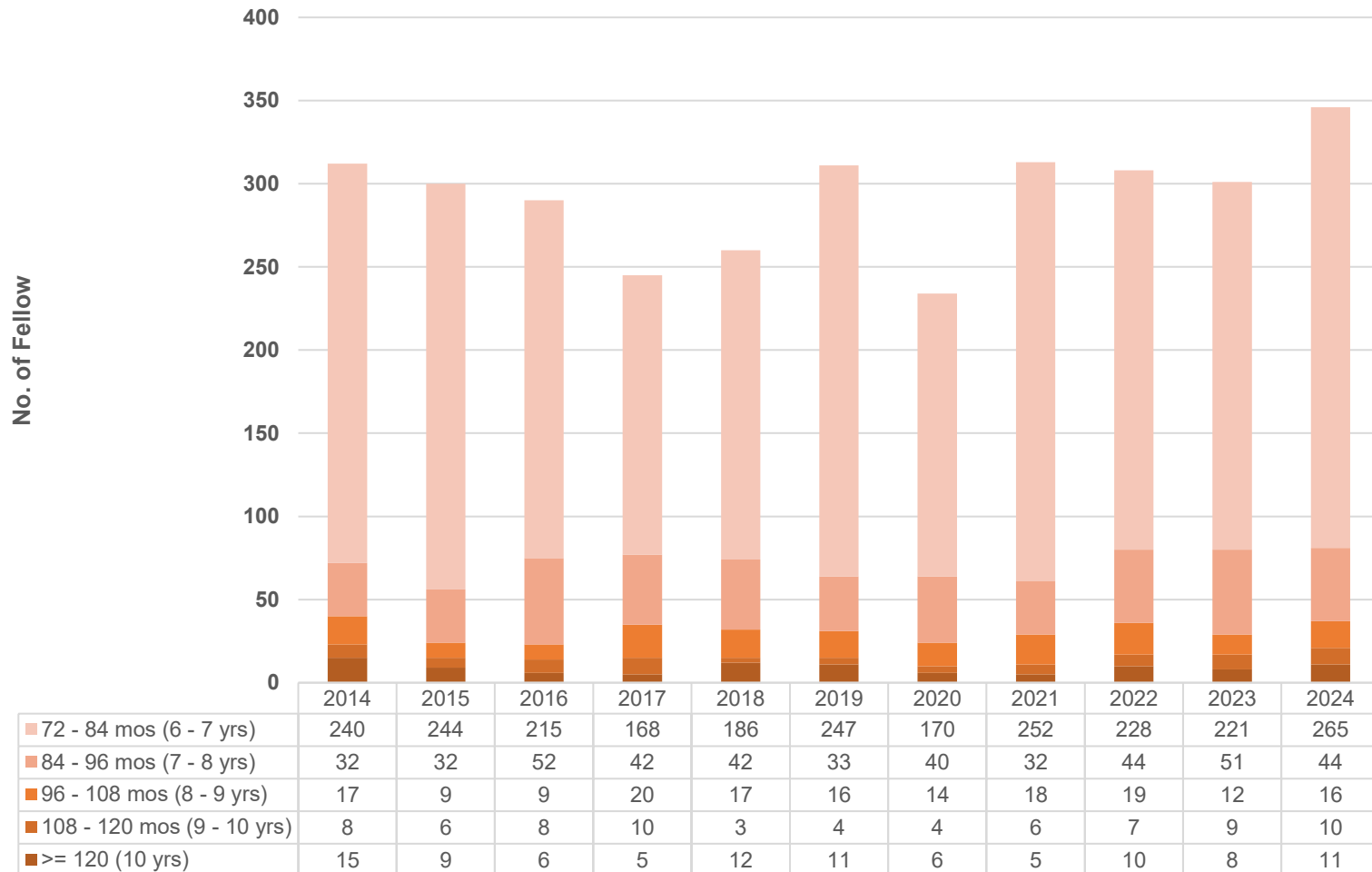


College	2014	2024	Increase
Anaesthesiologists	447	664	49%
Community Medicine	165	225	36%
Dental Surgeons	256	326	27%
Emergency Medicine	321	455	42%
Family Physicians	412	572	39%
Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	450	547	22%
Ophthalmologists	266	363	36%
Orthopaedic Surgeons	391	563	44%
Otorhinolaryngologists	148	203	37%
Paediatricians	572	743	30%
Pathologists	262	355	35%
Physicians	1,553	2,112	36%
Psychiatrists	321	476	48%
Radiologists	458	683	49%
Surgeons	820	1,108	35%
Grand Total	6,842	9,395	37%



Specialist Training Duration (2014 - 2024)

From Basic to Higher Training recognized by the Academy





CME / CPD - Principles and Guidelines

- First mandatory CME cycle commenced in **1996**
- **All Fellows must fulfill** CME / CPD requirements to maintain their Fellowship & Specialist registration
- Fellows are required to obtain **90 points in a 3-year cycle** with a minimum of **15 “active” points**
- Failure to do so will result in **removal** of Academy Fellowship (and removal of one’s name from Specialist Register)



List of CME / CPD Activities

- Attend formal college-approved activities
- Chair sessions or make presentations at CME activities
- Self-study
- Publication
- Research
- Development of new technologies or services
- Undergraduate and postgraduate training
- Conduct examinations
- Postgraduate course



List of CME / CPD Activities

- Development of CME / CPD or knowledge-translation materials
- Quality assurance and audits
- Activities for improvement of patient / medical care
- Grand rounds in training units
- Reviewers of Hong Kong Medical Journal, journals of Academy Colleges and other indexed journals
- Hands-on clinical attachment programme
- Other non-medical professional development programme

Quadripartite Collaboration with 2 Local Medical Schools and Hospital Authority



- A MOU for quadripartite collaboration on medical education was signed in November 2023 between HKAM, CU Medicine, HKU Med, and the Hospital Authority.
- This partnership aims to promote excellence in healthcare education which brings together medical educators, researchers, and healthcare professionals from local and international spheres for the exchange of knowledge, experiences, and best practices.



EXPLORE MORE

Not just CME/CPD



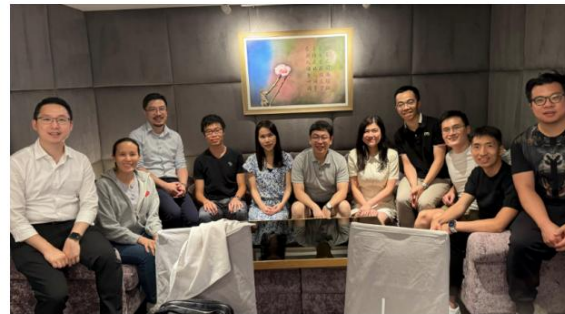


Young Fellows Chapter (YFC)

- **Established in 2017**
- Aims to nurture future healthcare leaders by involving young Fellows in various activities and affairs of the Academy & allowing members to better understand the objectives and work of the Academy.
- Formed by the representatives from 15 constituent Colleges (HKAM Fellowship was conferred within the past 10 years)



Wellness activities



Academic seminars

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Press

- Academy's Press established in October **2002**
- Provide professional publishing services for a wide range of publications in Hong Kong and internationally, including journals, books and newsletters
- Academy's publication, *Hong Kong Medical Journal*, being co-published with Hong Kong Medical Association bimonthly
- 2024 Journal impact factor: 2.6 (Clarivate, 2025)
CiteScore : 1.9 (Scopus, 2025)

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and many more...

Hong Kong Jockey Club Innovative Learning Centre for Medicine (ILCM)



- Established in 2013
- Provide innovative simulation-based learning and research for safe and quality patient care
- Affiliation with the Center for Medical Simulation



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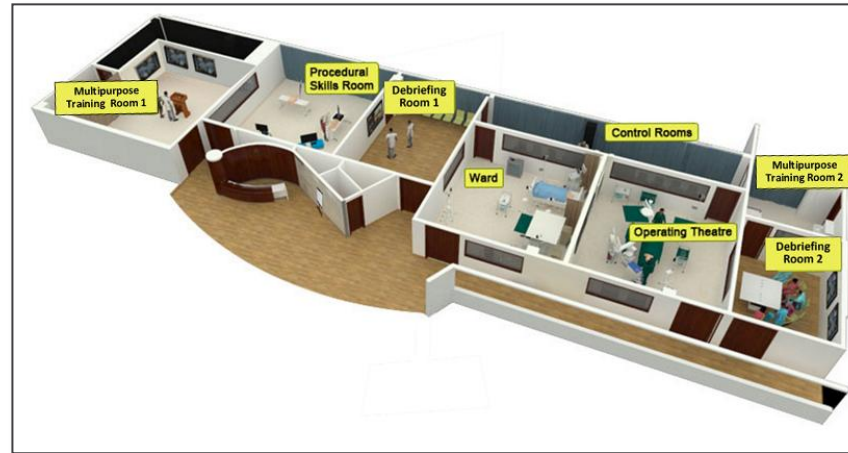
Jockey Club Institute for Medical Education and Development (JCIMED)



- From 1 November 2024, the HKJC ILCM has evolved into the Jockey Club Institute for Medical Education and Development (JCIMED)
- The JCIMED offers a **cutting-edge learning environment for healthcare professionals, integrating state-of-the-art simulation technologies and innovative teaching methods**

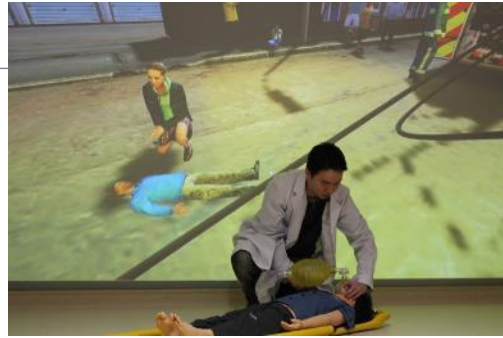


Jockey Club
Institute for Medical Education and Development
賽馬會醫學教育發展中心





Virtual Reality Room



Specialist Outpatient Room



Facilities at HKJC JCIMED



Skills and Procedures Room



Patient Ward & Operating Theatre





Well-being of Academy Fellows and Specialist Trainees



Organize different types of well-being related activities

e.g., gardening, sharing sessions / forums

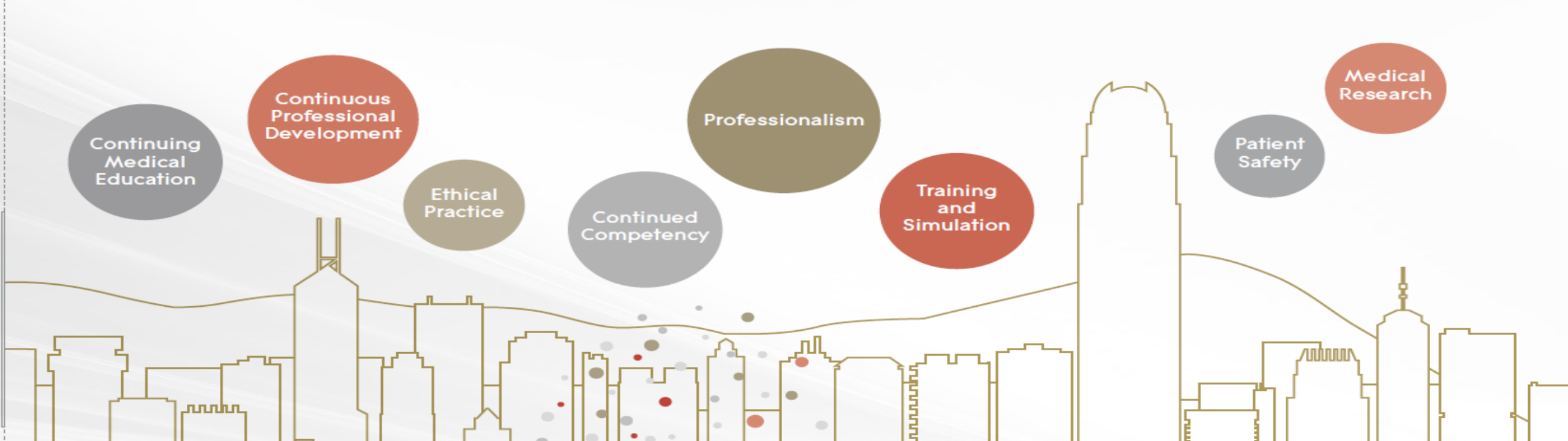


Conduct mental health / mindfulness training programs regularly



Facilities at HKAM





Thank you!



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