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## **Collaboration in Medical and Nursing Education Reaches New Heights with Fresh HKSH \$20 Million Donation to HKU**

(September 18, 2014) The decade-long collaboration in medical training and clinical research between Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital (HKSH) and The University of Hong Kong (HKU) reached new heights today with a fresh HKSH donation of \$20 million to Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU.

After engaging in doctors' training with HKU over the past 15 years, HKSH has, for the first time, extended its support to nursing education with the University, in appreciation of the strategic partnership between doctors and nurses in patient care.

“We have a common mission and vision with HKU in medical education and training and are delighted for the opportunity to share our resources with the University. Doctors and nurses are strategic partners in saving lives and caring for patients. We hope to be able to provide medical professionals with a good foundation, strong medical knowledge and experience, which in turn will bring benefits to patients and the community. We are particularly thrilled to make a \$10 million donation to support HKU's nursing education in addition to a \$10 million donation to medical education. This is another fruitful outcome of our long-time collaboration,” said Dr Walton Li, Medical Superintendent of the Hospital at the cheque presentation ceremony held at HKSH today.

Professor Gabriel M Leung, Dean of the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU, expressed sincere gratitude to HKSH for lending its unsparing support to the Faculty in medical research and training throughout the years. “The latest collaboration between HKSH and the Faculty is yet another important milestone in the longstanding and continuing legacy of our partnership in professionalism and care. By establishing the novel Li Shu Pui Medical Foundation Collaborating Centre for Clinical Nursing Excellence, as well as sustaining the medical research and education of the Faculty and schemes for our staff development, this generous gift from HKSH will enable us to make significant advancement in our research and education, particularly in nurturing healthcare professionals and academics, for the benefits of the wider community,” Professor Leung said.

The HKSH-HKU partnership began when Dr Li Shu Fan donated a parcel of land in Pokfulam to his alma mater in 1961 as a gift to facilitate its expansion in medical education.

Apart from the donations, HKSH has been conducting training programmes for HKU medical students since 1998, and has in the past 14 years participated in training doctors to become specialists in surgery, family medicine, ophthalmology and orthopaedics.

With the latest initiative, donations to HKU made by the Hospital through the Li Shu Fan Medical Foundation and the Li Shu Pui Medical Foundation has reached over \$180 million with a wide range of programmes including the establishment of seven Endowed Professorships in various medical disciplines, provision of Fellowships for professional training of doctors in UCLA and other renowned international medical centres, appointment of young and promising clinical academic staff, and setting up of research and training facilities.

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1. Dr Walton Li (left), Medical Superintendent of HKSH, presents the cheque of HK\$20 million donation to Professor Gabriel M Leung (right), Dean of Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU, in support of the University's medical and nursing education.



2. Dr Li, joined by Deputy Medical Superintendents Dr Tsao Yen Chow (third from left) and Dr Joseph Chan (second from left), and Mr Wyman Li (first from left), Manager (Administration) of HKSH, presents a commemorative album featuring HKSH-HKU collaboration to Professor Gabriel M Leung, who is joined by Professor Law Wai-lun, Associate Dean (Clinical Affairs) (right); Professor Leung Suet-yi, Associate Dean (Research) (second from right); Professor David Wong Sai-hung, Associate Dean (Human Capital) (third from right).



3. Professor Leung presents a “report card” to Dr Li summarising the fruitful outcome of HKSH-HKU collaboration over the years.



4. Professor Leung (left) reviews the souvenir album received from HKSH together with Dr Li (centre) and Mr Wyman Li (right). The photo shows the first three graduates of HKSH's School of Nursing in 1930.



5. The first three graduates of HKSH's School of Nursing in 1930. The \$10 million donation to establish Li Shu Pui Medical Foundation Collaborating Centre for Clinical Nursing Excellence at HKU exemplifies HKSH's commitment to supporting nursing education.



6. Li Shu Fan Building, Faculty of Medicine of The University of Hong Kong, on Sassoon Road in the 1980s. HKSH-HKU collaboration began in 1961 when Dr Li Shu Fan, first Medical Superintendent of HKSH, donated a parcel of land in Pokfulam to HKU as a gift to facilitate its expansion in medical education; and the legacy continues.



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