Public Lecture on Primary Care for Dementia:

Task Shifting & Task Sharing through Medical-Social Collaboration in DEMENTIA CARE

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Room 113G, Main Building, HKU Room G07, Main Building, HKU

PROJECT SUNRISE: CAPACITY BUILDING FOR FAMILY PHYSICIANS IN EARLY DIAGNOSIS AND EARLY INTERVENTION

The World Alzheimer Report 2016 has stated that dementia care is over-specialized. Primary care physicians must take responsibility to meet growing demands of dementia, while specialists assume a training, mentoring and supportive role for primary care. The Project Sunrise is a 3-year project initiated in Tsuen Wan, which comprises training and case conferences for primary care physicians to facilitate their diagnosing and treating persons with dementia. A certified dementia care planner works closely with the primary care physician to enhance medical-social collaboration. A pilot research has identified challenges and future directions for extending the model in other districts.

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About the speaker:
Dr Dai is currently Chairman of the Hong Kong Alzheimer’s Disease Association. During his 30-year career in geriatric medicine, Dr Dai has been closely collaborating with the social sector, and served in steering committees and working groups on community and residential care services for older adults of the Labour and Welfare Bureau. Dr Dai chairs the Independent Committee for Handling Complaints of the Social Welfare Department since 2015.

PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS FOR DEMENTIA CARE:
The New Zealand Experience

In 2013 the NZ Ministry of Health published the NZ Framework for Dementia Care informing the development of dementia care pathways in each of the 20 publicly funded district health boards (DHBs). Many DHBs have now established primary-care based cognitive impairment pathway with support from secondary-care based specialist services, including the recently launched nationwide e-learning course. This presentation will provide an overview of these initiatives, the outcomes of two pilot studies and the current plan of evaluating the implementation of a pathway in a locality where it has the highest density of Chinese population in NZ.

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About the speaker:
Dr Cheung is Director of Academic Programme, Auckland Regional Psychiatric Registrar Training Programme. Dr Cheung currently holds a joint appointment between Auckland District Health Board as a community old age psychiatrist and the University of Auckland as a Senior Lecturer. He is the secretary of the NZ branch of the Faculty of Psychiatry of Old Age, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP).

Discussants:
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Dr Douglas Chan, Chairman, Task Force on Dementia, Hong Kong Medical Association

Moderator:
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