



Press Release

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Inaugural Quadripartite Medical Education Conference Kicks off Advancing Collaboration Across the Medical Education Continuum

(Hong Kong – 5 September 2026) The inaugural Quadripartite Medical Education Conference (QMEC) 2026 kicked off today at the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building. The opening ceremony of the conference was officiated by Prof. Lo Chung-mau, Secretary for Health of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government, who joined leaders of Hong Kong's medical and medical education communities in marking this important milestone in cross-institutional collaboration.

Hosted by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (the Academy) and coorganised with the Faculty of Medicine of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CU Medicine), the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine of The University of Hong Kong (HKUMed), and the Hospital Authority (HA), the QMEC is held between 4 and 6 September 2026, which brought together medical educators, clinicians, researchers, learners and healthcare leaders from Hong Kong, Chinese Mainland and overseas.

QMEC 2026 is the first ever medical education conference jointly organised by the four institutions following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding among the 4 parties in November 2023. The collaboration seeks to strengthen coordination and exchange across the full continuum of medical education – from undergraduate education and postgraduate specialist training to workplace learning and continuous professional development.

Under the theme “***Shaping the Future of Medical Education***”, the QMEC 2026 explores key developments and challenges facing medical education, with particular emphasis on competency-based medical education (CBME) and its practical implementation. Other major topics include workplace-based assessment, feedback and learner development, professionalism and ethics, simulation-based education, educational research, and the opportunities and challenges presented by artificial intelligence and emerging technologies.

In the welcome remarks delivered in the opening ceremony of the conference, Prof. Philip Li, President of the Academy, highlighted the importance of professionalism and ethics as an integral part of the continuum. He pointed out that while scientific knowledge and technical competence remain fundamental to medical practice, they must be underpinned by professional values, sound judgement, integrity and responsibility. These qualities begin to develop during undergraduate medical education, are reinforced throughout specialist training, and are ultimately demonstrated and sustained in everyday clinical practice.

Prof. Li added, “The success of this inaugural conference demonstrates the value of bringing together different parts of the medical education system. By connecting undergraduate education, specialist training, workplace learning and lifelong professional development, we can better prepare doctors not only with the knowledge and skills required for modern healthcare, but also with the professionalism and values that remain at the heart of our profession.”

The Academy expresses its sincere appreciation to the Advisory Committee of the QMEC, chaired by Prof. Philip Li - President of Academy, with Dr. Libby Lee - Chief Executive of Hospital Authority, Prof. Chak-sing Lau - Dean of HKUMed and Prof. Philip Chiu - Dean of CU Medicine serving as members, for their guidance and support. The Academy also thanks the Organising Committee, led by Prof. Clement Tham, the Academy’s Vice-President (Education and Examinations), for its dedication and tremendous efforts in planning and delivering the inaugural conference, as well as all speakers, moderators, facilitators, supporting teams and participants whose contributions made QMEC 2026 a success.

The Quadripartite Medical Education Conference will be organised on a triennial basis, with CU Medicine scheduled to host the next Conference in 2029, followed by HKUMed in 2032. Through continued quadripartite collaboration, the four institutions will seek to strengthen Hong Kong's medical education ecosystem and support the continuous development of high-quality medical training for the benefit of patients and the wider community.

About Hong Kong Academy of Medicine

Established in 1993, the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine is an independent institution with statutory power to organise, monitor, assess and accredit all medical and dental specialist training, and the responsibility to oversee the continuing medical education and continuous professional development to maintain the standard of specialists practising in Hong Kong. There are now 74 specialties with around 9,900 Academy Fellows, who are eligible for registration in the Specialist Register of the Medical Council of Hong Kong and Dental Council of Hong Kong on the recommendation of the Academy.

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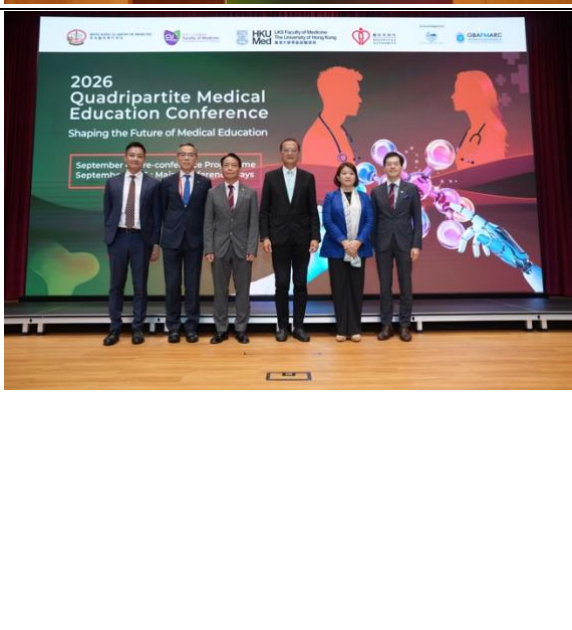
	Photo #1. Welcome speech by Prof. Philip Kam-tao Li, President of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, highlighted the importance of professionalism and ethics as an integral part of the continuum.
	Photo #2. Opening remarks by Prof. Chung-mau Lo, BBS, JP, Secretary for Health, emphasized this important milestone in cross-institutional collaboration.
	Photo #3. Secretary for Health and officiating guests. From left: • Prof. Samuel Wong - Associate Dean (Education) of CU Medicine • Prof. Chak-sing Lau - Dean of HKUMed • Prof. Philip Li - President of the Academy • Prof. Chung-mau Lo, BBS, JP - Secretary for Health • Dr. Libby Lee - Chief Executive of Hospital Authority • Prof. Clement Tham – Vice-President (Education and Examinations) of the Academy



Photo #4. Group photo with officiating guests, members of the QMEC Organising Committee and Mainland / overseas speakers.