



The Hong Kong Paediatric Society  
香港兒科醫學會

Dear Members of the Hong Kong Paediatric Society and Colleagues of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians,

### Invitation to Attend

We are pleased to announce that the Hong Kong Paediatric Foundation and the Hong Kong Paediatric Society have jointly organized the **“Summit on Immuno-surveillance against Childhood Infections in the Chinese Speaking Communities”** on 5 – 6 August 2017 at The Mira Hong Kong in Tsimshatsui. We are privileged to have a panel of world-renowned guest speakers from China, Hong Kong, India, Macau, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, and USA to deliver lectures to cover widely on this topic.

The immune system is a host defense system comprising many biological structures and processes that protect us against infections and diseases. It is a complex and yet vulnerable system, especially in the early stages of life. Although health risks due to immune-toxic exposures occur throughout life, the lifelong ability for immunocompetence develops early in life, at the prenatal and postnatal periods. Various factors such as breastfeeding, nutrition, and environmental exposure would influence the maturation of a balanced immune-surveillance system for our body. With all these complex issues surrounding paediatric immuno-surveillance and infectious diseases, the Summit is organized to provide an update on these issues with a focus on the Chinese Speaking Communities (CSC). The Summit would serve as a platform for stakeholders from different regions and sectors to share their experiences and propose a practical approach to support the development of a healthy immune-surveillance system for children and youth in the CSC.

Your attendance will no doubt prove to be a valuable and enjoyable experience. We sincerely invite you to make plans now to join with other colleagues to exchange new ideas and share your experiences and knowledge in this area. For any enquiry about this meeting, please do not hesitate to contact our meeting secretariat at 2155 8557 / 3153 4374 or e-mail to [meeting.hk@mims.com](mailto:meeting.hk@mims.com). You may also refer the links below for easy access of the Summit’s information.

[http://www.hkpf.org.hk/tc/prof\\_forum.php](http://www.hkpf.org.hk/tc/prof_forum.php)

<http://www.medicine.org.hk/hkps/event20170805-06.php>

Look forward to seeing you in the meeting.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Chok-wan Chan

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