

Citation for Professor David Todd for Conferment of Honorary Fellow of Hong Kong College of General Practitioners.

Professor David Todd is Professor of Medicine, University of Hong Kong, and well known to the medical community of Hong Kong. His association with the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners dates back to 1978 when he was appointed Censor of the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners until 1985, and Chief Censor in 1986 until 1988. With his help, the College was able to establish an internationally recognised qualification, the Fellowship of the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners in 1984. The standards of excellence of the College were recognized, and by 1987 Conjoint Fellowship Examination with the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners was established. These qualifications have been recognised by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, of which Professor Todd is President of Interim Council. In 1990 Professor Todd delighted us by delivering the Second Dr. Sun Yat Sen Oration on the topic "The Future of Medicine in Hong Kong".

Professor David Todd has an outstanding academic record qualifying MBBS in 1952; he was awarded an MD in 1958 for his thesis 'Anaemia of Cryptogenic Splenomegaly'. He was elected Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1966, Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Physicians in 1974, Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London in 1976, Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow in 1979, and Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists in 1992. He was made Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 1982 for his distinguished public service, and Commander of the same order in 1990. In 1990 the Chinese University of Hong Kong conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Science, and in 1992 he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Hong Kong.

He is a member of Councils, Boards, and Committees of numerous important educational and scientific boards in Hong Kong and overseas. While head of the Department of Medicine, University of Hong Kong, he helped set up the General Practice Unit and establish the Academic General Practice Clinic at Ap Lei Chau. Apart from his commitment to undergraduate teaching, he plays an active role in postgraduate vocational training and teaching, both locally and overseas.

He has examined 30 candidates for the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and has stimulated the minds and enhanced the knowledge of the medical community with publication of 143 articles and contributions in medical texts, 46 abstracts at international scientific meetings, and numerous Editorials and Letters to the Editor.

For his contribution to the discipline of medicine in Hong Kong, and longstanding support to the College, I request the President to admit Professor David Todd as Honorary Fellow of the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners.