

Dr. Cynthia Shiu Yee CHAN (1952 - 2020)

I was deeply saddened to learn that Dr. Cynthia Shiu Yee Chan had passed away in Canada on 12 December 2020.

Cynthia had been my colleague and a long term friend since the 1990's when she was working as Associate Professor of the Department of Community and Family Medicine (the predecessor of the Jockey Club School of Public Health and Primary Care) at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Subsequently, I had the great privilege to work with Cynthia again as she moved on to become Consultant in Family Medicine in the Hospital Authority to help train up the next generations of family doctors before returning to work in Canada.

Throughout her career, Cynthia had demonstrated her immense dedication to Family Medicine training and assessment, which was indeed most outstanding even to this date. She had been a great Family Medicine teacher, role model, and friend to many over the years. She had always been courteous and kind towards her patients, colleagues, friends and students alike.

During her time with us in Hong Kong, Cynthia had also contributed actively towards the Collegial activities, including being a Council Member (1992-1996) and a Member of the Board of Conjoint Examination in various capacities (1989-2005), namely Chairman of Conjoint Examination Committee, Chief Examiner, Oral Segment Coordinator, Management Interview Coordinator, and Examiner.

We had lost a true Family Physician, a dear friend and a mentor, who had worked tirelessly over the years to advocate for the discipline of Family Medicine.

Our most sincere condolences went to Cynthia's family.

May Cynthia rest in peace.

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