

LMCHK Society Launches Medical Ambassadors Program

Hong Kong, 24 July 2020 – The Medical Licentiate Society of Hong Kong (LMCHK), in partnership with the Patient Care Foundation Limited and the Kiangsu Chekiang & Shanghai (KCS) Medical Centre, has launched the Medical Ambassadors Program (MAP) to help address the increased demand on healthcare during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Due to the cancelled Hong Kong Medical Licensing Examination (HKMLE), a number of non-locally trained doctors have been shut out from helping patients in Hong Kong. Several of doctors moved to Hong Kong to sit for the exam over 1 year ago. The HKMLE was cancelled during the previous peak in March of the pandemic. Now these dedicated doctors bide their time outside of the healthcare setting by studying in libraries and cafes around the city.

The LMCHK Society plans to source non-local medical graduates from among its members. The selected volunteers will help at 2 health-related registered charities in Hong Kong. MAP participants would assist with services that do not require a registered medical practitioner. The volunteers would commit to helping several hours per week. The MAP experience, designed to be examinee friendly, will run until the end of the year with planned weeks off at the time of their exams.

"While the work is for those not yet registered in Hong Kong, the volunteers' medical knowledge will be a benefit for the charities, " said Dr. Marcus Marcet, President of the LMCHK Society. Participants will receive a Certificate of Appreciation from the LMCHK Society upon successful completion of their MAP journey. The MAP participants will also get an early start learning about Hong Kong's healthcare and gain valuable experience in the process.

Charity Partners

Kiangsu Chekiang & Shanghai (KCS) Medical Centre, https://www.kcs.org.hk/en/home

Patient Care Foundation Limited, http://www.patientcarefoundation.com.hk/

Program Highlights

Participants: Non-locally trained doctors preparing for the HKMLE

Apply: View the application <u>here</u>

• Selection: Competitive selection by Society and Charity partners

Deadline to apply: 31st July 2020, 6:00 pm HKT

Length: Mid-August until end of December 2020

• Completion: Certificate of Appreciation, presented at Annual December event

• Limit: Up to 2 participants per charity

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More info: https://lmchk.org/map