

7 The Health Committee

- 7.1 The Health Committee (HC) is established to deal with the health aspect of medical practitioners whose fitness to practise medicine is called into question. It acts in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Medical Practitioners (Registration and Disciplinary Procedure) Regulation.
- 7.2 The functions of the HC are as follows:-
- (a) to conduct a hearing into any case or matter concerning the health or physical or mental fitness to practise of any registered medical practitioner, whether the case or matter has been investigated by the PIC or not;
 - (b) to conduct a hearing into matters referred to it by the Council under section 21(1) of the Medical Registration Ordinance;
 - (c) to make a recommendation to the Council, after due hearing conducted under paragraph (a) or (b) above, that the name of a registered medical practitioner be removed from the General Register permanently or for any period not exceeding 12 months, and that such an order for removal be suspended subject to such conditions as recommended by the HC, where appropriate; and
 - (d) to recommend the extension, not exceeding 12 months, of a period of temporary removal of name recommended under paragraph (c) above.
- 7.3 The membership of the HC (as at 31 December 2011) was as follows:-
- Dr CHIU Shing-ping, James (Chairman)
Dr CHING Wai-kuen (from 12 February 2011 onwards)
Dr CHOW Pak-chin, JP
Dr HUI Yin-fun, Linda (from 12 February 2011 onwards)
Professor LEE Shui-shan
Dr LI Seung-yau, Derek
Dr LUK Che-chung (from 6 January 2011 onwards)
Dr POON Tak-lun
Mrs TAI POON Ching-sheung, Joyce, BBS, JP
Dr TSOI Lai-to, Sammy
Dr WONG Josephine Grace Wing-san
- 7.4 In 2011, the HC held a hearing to consider one case relating to fitness to practise medicine of a registered medical practitioner. The case was partly heard pending more information from an overseas medical body.