Press Release

The Medical Council of Hong Kong ("the Council") has received written notification from Mr Lam Chi-yau of his resignation as Lay Member of the Council with effect from 23:59 on 5 November 2026. The Council expresses gratitude and appreciation of his service as a Member of the Council as well as his active participation and valuable contributions in the work of various committees and disciplinary inquiries over the past 7 years and 10 months. The Council will process matters relating to the by-election for the resulting vacancy in accordance with established procedures, pursuant to the Medical Registration Ordinance and its subsidiary legislation.

Regarding a situation where a Member of the Council serves as legal representative for an interested party in a death inquest (and/or other legal proceedings) — where such inquest originated from the same clinical incident as a complaint case being handled by the Council — the question arises as to whether this would constitute a conflict of interest. The Council is examining the relevant information and will engage in in-depth discussion to determine whether it is necessary to set clear guidelines for this purpose.

Furthermore, regarding the decision of the Chairperson of the Inquiry Panel to adjourn a disciplinary inquiry case involving the late young girl, CHAU Tin-yu, as mentioned in our press release of 28 October 2026, the Secretariat of the Council will continue to closely monitor the progress and findings of the death inquest. Upon the conclusion of the concerned death inquest, the Secretariat will arrange for the disciplinary inquiry to be conducted as soon as practicable in accordance with the law and established procedures. The Secretariat has formally notified the complainant of this decision and provided a detailed explanation of the reasons for the adjournment, and will continue to maintain communication with the complainant.

The Medical Council of Hong Kong
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