

**HKPGA Capacity Conference cum Annual General Meeting 2015**

**Pre-conference Workshop on Mental Capacities**

**Date:** December 4, 2015 (Friday)

**Time:** 09:00 – 17:00

**Venue:** Thornton Room & Huthart Room I, 3/F, South Tower of the YMCA-The Salisbury Hotel; No. 41 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong

**Learning Objectives:**

- understand key concepts in mental capacities assessment
- learn the legal requirements and practical skills to handle common mental capacity issues in the elderly

**Target participants:**

- Medical professionals, e.g. psychiatrist, geriatrician, neurologist, family physician....
- Legal professionals, e.g. solicitor who have clients with mental capacities issues in probate or civil litigation
- Healthcare or social work professionals, e.g. psychologist, occupational therapist, social worker....

**Guest speakers:**



**Prof. Sanford I. Finkel** is the Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Chicago Medical School. Prof. Finkel has lectured extensively and has contributed over 100 journal articles and book chapters. He has also played a leadership role in mental health and aging throughout his career, including all of the last three White House Conferences on Aging (1981, 1995 and 2005). Prof. Finkel founded the American Association

for Geriatric Psychiatry and co-founded the International Psychogeriatric Association and the American Psychiatric Association Council on Aging.

Prof. Finkel is involved as an expert consultant and witness on contested wills. Most cases involve testamentary capacity, which can be influenced by dementia, depression, psychosis, medication effects, medical problems, and end of life issues. At the same time, many of these illnesses or conditions in and of themselves do not necessarily mean someone lacks testamentary capacity. He has also been called upon to testify as an expert in "undue influence" cases.



**Prof. Camelle Peisah** is an Old Age Psychiatrist and the Clinical Director of Specialised Mental Health Services for Older People, Northern Sydney Local Health District, Australia. She is the President of Capacity Australia; Conjoint Professor, University of New South Wales; and Chair of the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) Taskforce/Shared Interest Group on Capacity. She sat for 10 years as a Professional Member of the former NSW Guardianship Tribunal (now NCAT).

Prof. Peisah has multiple publications and presentations on capacity. She is the co-author with Mr Nick O'Neill of the e-textbook "Capacity and the Law". <http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/journals/SydUPLawBk/2011/1.html>. She has acted as an expert both in Australia and internationally in >300 cases related to capacity and has been the consultant to state and national groups on a range of capacity issues including end of life decision making, informed consent for psychotropics, and elder abuse. She led a national research project looking at knowledge translation and awareness raising amongst banking staff to prevent financial abuse.

#### **Local speaker:**

**Ms. Olivia S.M. Leung** is the Honorary Legal Adviser of the Hong Kong Alzheimer's Disease Association. She has been a solicitor in Hong Kong SAR since 10<sup>th</sup> August 2002 and has been working under the Stephen Lo & P.Y. Tse, Solicitors. Ms. Leung obtained a second class honours (Division One) upon her graduation from the University of Hong Kong L.L.B degree in 1999. Ms. Leung has further study at the University of Hong Kong in Post Graduate



Certificate in Laws and the School of Professional and Continuing Education of The University of Hong Kong for Introductory Certificate in Chinese Commercial Law & Practice.

Ms. Olivia S.M. Leung has extensive negotiation and mediation training received from the Mediation Training Course conducted by The Accord Group, Australia for The Law Society of Hong Kong. She primarily focuses on company matters, corporate and commercial drafting, probate and will and application under Part II of Mental Health Ordinance of Hong Kong.

**Topics will be covered by case illustration and discussion in English:**

09:00 – 09:45	Key concepts in mental capacity assessment	Prof. Peisah
09:45 – 10:35	Consent to medical treatment	Prof. Peisah
10:35 – 10:55	Coffee break	
10:55 – 11:45	Guardianship (Conservatorship)	Prof. Peisah
11:45 – 12:35	Testamentary capacity	Prof. Finkel
12:35 – 13:50	Lunch	
13:50 – 14:40	Financial capacity	Prof. Finkel
14:40 – 15:30	Enduring (Lasting) power of attorney	Prof. Finkel
15:30 – 15:50	Coffee break	
15:50 – 16:30	Practical legal issues of mental capacities for the elderly	Ms. Olivia Leung
16:30 – 17:00	Discussion and Conclusion	All speakers

Seats will be limited to 80.

**Registration Fee:**

Early Bird on/before 23 October 2015

HKPGA members HK\$ 2,000; Non-HKPGA members HK\$ 2,500

After 23 Oct 2015

HKPGA members HK\$ 2,500; Non-HKPGA members HK\$ 3,000

**RSVP:**

Ms. Jossy Tin,

Phone number: 2516 6128; Fax number: 2561 5042

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Name: _____	Affiliation: _____
Tel. no. _____	Email: _____
HKPGA Life member: <input type="checkbox"/>	Non-HKPGA Life member: <input type="checkbox"/>
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Please tick the appropriate boxes and fax this page to 2561 5042 for registration.

Successful registrants will be informed on/before 6 Nov 2015 by phone or email.

In order to secure the participation, successful registrant please mail a bank cheque with the appropriate amount of HK\$ payable to the “**Hong Kong Psychogeriatric Association Limited**” to Ms. Jossy TIN at Eisai (Hong Kong) Co. Ltd, Room 2007, Fortress Tower, 250 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong **on/before 13 Nov 2015**.

*An official receipt, course evaluation questionnaire and certificate of attendance will be issued to the participants on the day of the workshop.*

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**CPD for The Law Society of Hong Kong: 6**

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CME for Hong Kong College of Physicians: 2

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