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## CU Trains Health Professionals To Boost Services

The graduation of 114 doctors, nurses and allied health professionals from diploma courses at the Chinese University of Hong Kong today marks a major advancement in Hong Kong's fast growing field of public health.

Some of the graduates have enrolled the Master of Public Health (MPH) Programme at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The programme was started in January 1996. It is the first of this kind offered in Hong Kong. Some of the graduates have enrolled the course and they were granted exemption of credit points for fulfilling the requirements of the MPH degree.

At the Diploma Presentation Ceremony, Miss Jacqueline Willis, J.P., Commissioner of Labour said that the courses of community medicine, family medicine and occupational health, are become more important to Hong Kong

"Occupational health and safety is a major public health issue and I am delighted to see that a large number of graduate from the courses related to occupational health science. There is a strong need to protect and promote the health and welfare of Hong Kong's greatest asset -- its work force," she added.

Prof. Shiu. Hung. Lee, Chairman of the Department of Community and Family Medicine, said that the number of graduate of the Diploma Courses in 1985/86 was 30. For this year, the number has increased to 114. There have been 697 graduates since 1985/86.

"All of the courses were on a part-time basis. Attendance was open to doctors, nurses and health care professionals as well as government, labour and industry personnel," he added.

The Diploma in Occupational Medicine is recognized as approved higher training by the Australasian Faculty of Occupational Medicine of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians. In addition, The Diploma in Family Medicine is also recognized by the Monash University in Australia as part of the approved training for the Masters Programme in Family Medicine. From this year, the course has been accredited as fulfilling part of the requirements of higher training in Family Medicine leading to the award of Fellow of Hong Kong Academic of Medicine..

Prof. Wesley E Fabb, Professor of Family Medicine, CUHK and Dr. Stephen Foo, President of the Hong Kong College of General Practitioners are also the guest of the ceremony and they present the diplomas to the graduates.

\* Attachment: Speech by Prof. Shiu Hung Lee, Chairman of the Department of Community and Family Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

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