

MEDICAL REGISTRATION ORDINANCE (Chapter 161)

ORDER MADE BY THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG

It is hereby notified that the Medical Council of Hong Kong after due inquiry held on 21 October 2009, 29 October 2009, 22 November 2009 and 20 December 2009 in accordance with section 21 of the Medical Registration Ordinance, Chapter 161 of the Laws of Hong Kong, was satisfied that on or about 28 August 2003, Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin, being a registered medical practitioner, disregarded his professional responsibility to his patient, the late Madam LAM King Fong, also known as MO Mei ('the patient'), or otherwise neglected his professional duties to the patient who was under his care, in that:—

- (a) he failed to keep proper record of medical history and personal details of the patient;
- (b) he performed a liposuction procedure on the patient ('the procedure') when he was not conversant with contemporary resuscitation procedures;
- (c) he used a combination of drugs, namely Dormicum, Diprivan, Fentanyl and Rapifen, when he was not conversant with the 'Guidelines for Safety in Sedation for Diagnostic and Minor Surgical Procedures' published by the Hong Kong College of Anaesthesiologists (Policy document P2, reviewed in February 2002); and
- (d) he failed to maintain an optimal provision of facilities available for resuscitation, if necessary, when a combination of drugs, namely Dormicum, Diprivan, Fentanyl and Rapifen, were used.

The Council was satisfied that in relation to the facts alleged, either singularly or cumulatively, Dr. LI has been guilty of misconduct in a professional respect.

In accordance with section 21(1) of the Medical Registration Ordinance, the Council made the following orders on 20 December 2009:—

- (i) on charge (a), Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin be reprimanded;
- (ii) on charge (b), the name of Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin be removed from the General Register for five months;
- (iii) on charge (c), the name of Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin be removed from the General Register for five months;
- (iv) on charge (d), the name of Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin be removed from the General Register for five months;
- (v) the removal orders for charges (b), (c) and (d) shall be served concurrently.

Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin subsequently appealed to the Court of Appeal against the orders of the Council. On 14 October 2010, the Court of Appeal dismissed the appeal.

Pursuant to the orders of the Council, the name of Dr. LI Wang Pong Franklin has been removed from the General Register on 12 November 2010.

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