CHINESE MEDICINE ORDINANCE (Chapter 549)

ORDER MADE BY THE CHINESE MEDICINE PRACTITIONERS BOARD OF THE CHINESE MEDICINE COUNCIL OF HONG KONG

Notice is hereby given that the Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board ('CMPB') of the Chinese Medicine Council of Hong Kong, after an inquiry on 16 November 2016 conducted pursuant to section 98 of the Chinese Medicine Ordinance ('CMO') (Chapter 549, Laws of Hong Kong), was satisfied that the following charge against CHIU Chi-chung, registered Chinese medicine practitioner ('RCMP') (registration no.: 005579), is proved:—

in the course of acupuncture treatment of a patient on 10 October 2014, failed to make necessary and appropriate medical referrals given the adverse reactions on the patient, in contravention of section 2(5) in Part 3 of the Code of Professional Conduct for RCMPs in Hong Kong.

For the above established charge, RCMP CHIU Chi-chung was found guilty in Hong Kong or elsewhere of misconduct in a professional respect and in breach of the conditions imposed by the CMPB on his practice of Chinese medicine under section 98(2)(b) and 98(2)(e) of the CMO respectively. Pursuant to section 98(3) of the CMO, the CMPB ordered on 16 November 2016 that, for the above established charge, RCMP CHIU Chi-chung be reprimanded.

Besides, the CMPB, after an inquiry on 9 October 2014 conducted pursuant to section 98 of the CMO, was satisfied that the following charge against RCMP CHIU Chi-chung (registration no.: 005579), is proved:—

failed to removal all the acupuncture needles from the body of a patient after the acupuncture treatment or before the patient left on 31 March 2014, and failed to act professionally responsibly to his patient, in contravention of section 2(1) in Part 3 of the Code of Professional Conduct for RCMPs in Hong Kong.

For the above established charge, RCMP CHIU Chi-chung was found guilty in Hong Kong or elsewhere of misconduct in a professional respect and/or in breach of the conditions imposed by the CMPB on his practice of Chinese medicine under section 98(2)(b) and 98(2)(e) of the CMO respectively.

Pursuant to section 98(3) of the CMO, the CMPB ordered on 9 October 2014 that, for the above established charge, RCMP CHIU Chi-chung be removed from the Register of Chinese Medicine Practitioners for 3 months, but suspended the application of such order for 9 months with effect from 9 October 2014.

As RCMP CHIU Chi-chung violated section 98(2) of the CMO again during the suspension period by committing the above-mentioned disciplinary offence stated in the first and second paragraphs, the CMPB decided to exercise its power to execute the order of removing the name of CHIU Chi-chung from the Register of Chinese Medicine Practitioners for 3 months with effect from 16 November 2016.

In accordance with section 104 of the CMO, the above order made by the CMPB is hereby published.

WONG Kit Chairman, The Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board of the Chinese Medicine Council of Hong Kong