

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 26 February 2004, 23 June 2004 and 8 November 2004 in accordance with section 21 of the Medical Registration Ordinance, Chapter 161 of the Laws of Hong Kong, was satisfied that Dr. AU YEUNG Kar-wai Alexander, being a registered medical practitioner, made gratuitous and unsustainable comments about another registered medical practitioner, namely Dr. KWAN WONG Ho-muk Eva, which undermined trust in her knowledge and skills:—

- (a) on 16 September 2002, to Ms. LAI Wai-ming, such comments being:—
 - (i) that the medications Dr. KWAN prescribed for Ms. LAI were inappropriate;
 - (ii) that Dr. KWAN's treatment for Ms. LAI was inappropriate;
 - (iii) that in prescribing the medications as she did Dr. KWAN intended Ms. LAI to consult her for more times;
 - (iv) that Dr. KWAN was being sued or prosecuted in the High Court, in connection with her treatment of a patient, the late Mr. LAU Yuk-wah; and
 - (v) that Dr. KWAN's treatment had caused the said patient's blood vessel to rupture;
- (b) on 27 September 2002, to investigators of Asia World Investigation Bureau, such comments being:—
 - (i) that the medications Dr. KWAN prescribed for an infant patient, SO Tsz-kiu, were inappropriate;
 - (ii) that Dr. KWAN did not know how to treat the infant patient;
 - (iii) that Dr. KWAN had caused the death of a patient by reason of her treatment; and
 - (iv) that Dr. KWAN was being sued or prosecuted in the High Court, in connection with her treatment of a patient, the late Mr. LAU Yuk-wah.

The Council was satisfied that in relation to the facts alleged, he has contravened section 19.3 of the Professional Code and Conduct for the Guidance of Registered Medical Practitioners, and has been guilty of misconduct in a professional respect.

In accordance with section 21(1)(iv) of the said Ordinance, the Council ordered on 8 November 2004 that the name of Dr. AU YEUNG Kar-wai Alexander would be removed from the General Register for a period of three months, and that the Order be suspended for a period of two years. This decision would be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette.

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