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Annual Review of Hong Kong Health Law

Date & Time	Thursday, 8 January 2026, 6:30 pm – 8:45 pm
Venue:	11/F, Cheng Yu Tung Tower, Centennial Campus, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam, Hong Kong
Mode:	Hybrid (Face to face or Zoom)
Organiser:	Centre for Medical Ethics and Law (CMEL), The University of Hong Kong
Co-organiser:	Howse Williams
Supporting organisations:	The Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Medical Ethics and Humanities Unit (MEHU), The University of Hong Kong
Objective, Coverage and Learning Outcomes:	This seminar takes a look at recent legal developments in Hong Kong health law and recent UK decisions that affect Hong Kong health law, such as cases of: 1. medical negligence; 2. manslaughter; and 3. assisted reproduction. Attendees will be able to learn about these developments.
Target Audience:	Legal professionals, healthcare professionals, academics, students and anyone who is interested
Level:	Elementary (no prior knowledge/ experience required)
Accreditation:	Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Accreditation by the Law Society of Hong Kong: being applied for Continuing Medical Education (CME) Accreditation**:** click here
Speakers:	• Gilberto Leung, Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law & Director of the School of Clinical Medicine at the LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong • Craig Purshouse, Deputy Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law & Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong • David Kan, Partner, Solicitor Advocate, Howse Williams • Jane Or, Research Manager, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, The University of Hong Kong

Programme

6:30 pm – 6:35 pm	**Opening Remarks** Gilberto Leung Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law & Director of the School of Clinical Medicine at the LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong
6:35 pm – 7:10 pm	**Presentation 1** Medical Negligence, Regulation and Reproduction Updates Craig Purshouse Deputy Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law & Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong
7:10 pm – 7:15 pm	Questions & Answers/ Discussion
7:15 pm – 7:50 pm	**Presentation 2** (a) The Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance; (b) Data security and the Protection of Critical Infrastructures (Computer Systems) Ordinance; and (c) Recent case authorities on informed consent and *Montgomery* David Kan Partner, Solicitor Advocate, Howse Williams
7:50 pm – 7:55 pm	Questions & Answers/ Discussion
7:55 pm – 8:05 pm	Break
8:05 pm – 8:40 pm	**Presentation 3** Medical Negligence, Gross Negligence Manslaughter and Regulation Updates Jane Or Research Manager, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, The University of Hong Kong
8:40 pm – 8:45 pm	Questions & Answers/ Discussion

Biographies

Gilberto Leung
Co-Director, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law
Director, School of Clinical Medicine, LKS Faculty of Medicine
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Gilberto is a neurosurgeon, Clinical Professor, and Tsang Wing-Hing Professor in Clinical Neuroscience at the University of Hong Kong (HKU). He graduated from the University of London with M.B.B.S. in 1992 and joined HKU in 2005 where he obtained his MS, PhD, and MD degrees. He currently serves as Director of the School of Clinical Medicine and Convenor of the Clinical Neuroscience Consortium at the LKS Faculty of Medicine. He is the Immediate-Past President and Honorary Fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, as well as Convenor of the Institute for Medical Advancement and Clinical Excellence (IMACE) in Hong Kong. He holds an LLB from the University of London and an LLM in Medical Law and Ethics with Distinction from the University of Edinburgh and is currently Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law (CMEL) at HKU and Chairman of the Clinical Ethics Committee of the Hospital Authority Hong Kong West Cluster.

Craig Purshouse
Associate Professor, Faculty of Law
Deputy Director and Research Fellow, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law
Deputy Director, Centre for Private Law
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Craig is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law and Deputy Director and Research Fellow at the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law at the University of Hong Kong. His research interests are in medical law and torts and he has published on a diverse range of medical law topics including consent, reproductive negligence, conversion therapy, the medical treatment of children, the protection of autonomy and surrogacy.

Craig was previously a member of the editorial board of the *Medical Law Review* and remains on the board of the journal *Medical Law International*, where he used to be joint editor-in-chief. His research has been cited by the UK Supreme Court, the Court of Appeal of Singapore, the High Court of England and Wales and the Law Commissions of Scotland and England and Wales.

David Kan
Partner, Solicitor Advocate, Howse Williams

David is a dual qualified medical doctor/solicitor and is a Founding Member of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians (UK). He "changed horses" to law almost 30 years ago and has specialised in healthcare law since.

Nowadays David and Chris Howse lead a team of healthcare lawyers, which is the largest team of its kind in HK, with extensive experience in defending clinical negligence claims.

As an experienced litigator, David has gained accreditation as a Solicitor Advocate with Higher Rights of Audience in Hong Kong's Court of First Instance, Court of Appeal and CFA. David has substantial advocacy experience before the Civil Courts, Coroner's Court, Medical and

Dental Council and other professional tribunals. He appreciates the importance of getting involved in a case and managing the evidence and strategies from day 1.

David has a Master's Degree in Medical Law and Ethics which puts him on good stead in providing regulatory advice to healthcare institutions including hospitals, biotechnology companies, medical device manufacturers and specialist group practices. He has a special interest in advising on mental health law, medical criminal proceedings, clinical trials, and due diligence in corporate transactions.

In 2008, David was appointed as an Honorary Associate Professor by the Department of Pathology, Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong. He regularly lectures at the University as well as to the Specialist Colleges. He provides clients with training in clinical risk management.

David keeps up to date with clinical medicine, especially in general surgery. He has served on various governing boards including those of a government hospital and a major international school. He is a qualified coach with the Squash Rackets Association (UK) and he trains almost daily.

Jane Or
Research Manager, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, The University of Hong Kong

Jane holds an LLB degree from the University of Hong Kong. Her research area is health law.

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