



# Annual Review of Hong Kong Health Law



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Centennial Campus, HKU or  
Zoom

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## Speakers

### Ms Sandy Cho

Partner, Kennedys

### Prof Gilberto Leung

Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law & Tsang Wing-Hing Professor in Clinical Neuroscience, LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong

### Ms Jane Or

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

### Ms Bianca Wu

Senior Associate, Howse Williams

Co-organiser:

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<b>Mode</b>	Face to face or Zoom
<b>Organiser:</b>	Centre for Medical Ethics and Law (CMEL), The University of Hong Kong
<b>Co-organiser:</b>	Howse Williams
<b>Objective, Coverage and Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p>This seminar takes a look at important legal developments in Hong Kong health law and significant recent UK decisions that affect Hong Kong health law, such as cases of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. medical negligence;</li> <li>2. professional misconduct; and</li> <li>3. manslaughter.</li> </ol> <p>Attendees will be able to acquire knowledge of these developments.</p>
<b>Target Audience:</b>	Legal professionals, healthcare professionals and anyone interested
<b>Level:</b>	Elementary (no prior knowledge/ experience required)
<b>Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Accreditation by the Law Society of Hong Kong:</b>	being applied for
<b>Continuing Medical Education (CME) Accreditation:</b>	being applied for

### Programme

<b>6:30 pm – 6:35 pm</b>	<p><b>Opening address and introductory remarks</b></p> <p><b>Prof Gilberto Leung</b> Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, Tsang Wing-Hing Professor in Clinical Neuroscience &amp; Associate Dean (Clinical Sciences Education), LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong</p>
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<b>6:35 pm – 7:05 pm</b>	<p><b>Explaining reasonable alternative treatments in obtaining informed consent – the case of “<i>McCulloch</i>”</b></p> <p><b>Ms Bianca Wu</b> Senior Associate, Howse Williams</p>
<b>7:05 pm – 7:35 pm</b>	<p><b>Liability to family and loved ones of patients for psychiatric injury caused by witnessing death or medical crisis in a clinical setting: <i>Paul and another v Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms Sandy Cho</b> Partner, Kennedys</p>
<b>7:35 pm – 7:45 pm</b>	Break
<b>7:45 pm – 8:15 pm</b>	<p><b>Professional misconduct, manslaughter and other health law updates</b></p> <p><b>Ms Jane Or</b> Research Manager, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, The University of Hong Kong</p>
<b>8:15 pm – 8:20 pm</b>	Questions & Answers

## Biographies

### **Prof Gilberto Leung**

Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, Tsang Wing-Hing Professor in Clinical Neuroscience & Associate Dean (Clinical Sciences Education), LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong

Gilberto is a neurosurgeon, Clinical Professor, and holder of the endowed Tsang Wing-Hing Professorship in Clinical Neuroscience at the University of Hong Kong (HKU). He graduated from the University of London with MBBS in 1992. During postgraduate training, he was awarded the Hallett Gold Medal and the J. Douglas Miller Medal in Neurosurgery by the Royal College of Surgeons of England and that of Edinburgh, respectively. He obtained his MS, PhD and MD from HKU; LLB from the University of London; and LLM in Medical Law and Ethics with Distinction from the University of Edinburgh. He is Immediate-Past President of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law at HKU, Associate Dean of the HKU medical faculty, and Honorary Consultant Neurosurgeon at Queen Mary Hospital.

### **Ms Bianca Wu**

Senior Associate, Howse Williams

Bianca joined the medico-legal team in Howse Williams upon completing her training contract in 2013. She has experience in dispute resolution and medico-legal matters (including non-contentious matters). She advises healthcare professionals and hospitals on clinical negligence claims and complaints, Coroner's inquests, disciplinary proceedings, debt-recovery by hospitals, Mental Health Ordinance matters and criminal matters. Bianca is fluent in English and Cantonese.

### **Ms Sandy Cho**

Partner, Kennedys

Sandy co-leads Kennedys Healthcare Team in Hong Kong and qualified in Hong Kong (2001).

Sandy specialises in areas covering clinical negligence claims, disciplinary investigations, clinical related criminal proceedings, medical professional insurance related matters, inquests, Data Privacy Commissioner investigations, Consumer Council investigations, Equal Opportunity Commissioner investigations, healthcare regulatory matters and mediation. Major clients include the Hong Kong Hospital Authority, Medical Protection, medical professional indemnity insurers, doctors, private hospitals, allied health professionals, dentists, and nurses.

Sandy is regularly invited by professional associations and universities to share her thought leadership across a broad range of medico-legal issues in Hong Kong. Sandy is also author of a number of healthcare publications. She recently co-authored the chapter "Confidentiality, Privacy and Personal Data" in the book *Healthcare Law and Ethics Principles & Practices*.

### **Ms 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.

# About the Organiser

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CENTRE FOR MEDICAL ETHICS AND LAW

The Centre for Medical Ethics and Law (CMEL) develops new ideas and solutions in response to the big ethical, legal and policy questions of medicine and health. CMEL is the first cross-faculty interdisciplinary institution of its kind in the region. It was founded in 2012 by the LKS Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Law at The University of Hong Kong as a joint inheritor of their vibrant intellectual traditions dating back to 1887 and 1969 respectively.

Today, CMEL brings together bioethicists, academic lawyers, medical scientists, and other scholars to conduct cutting edge bioethical and legal research and contribute to policy development in flagship areas like digital health and emergent technologies, mental health and capacity, and population and global health.

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