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by email

Dear Occupational Therapist,

**Training Funding Scheme for Occupational Therapist
to Support Primary Healthcare Development in Hong Kong**

The Government is committed to the development of primary healthcare in Hong Kong through enhancing district-based primary healthcare services. The District Health Centre (DHC) set up by the Food and Health Bureau (FHB) aims to provide primary healthcare services through medical-social collaboration and public-private partnership, so as to enhance the public's capability in self-management of health and provide support for the chronically ill. The first DHC in Kwai Tsing has commenced service since September 2019. The Government will proactively take forward the setting up of DHC in all 18 districts with an aim to establish six full-fledged DHCs and set up smaller interim "DHC Express" in each of the remaining 11 districts before June 2022.

Occupational Therapists play a significant role in primary healthcare and DHC service. The **Professional Certificate in Primary Healthcare for Occupational Therapy** launched by the School of Professional Education and Executive Development (SPEED) of Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) provides specialised knowledge and skills to registered

occupational therapists in Hong Kong for achieving quality primary healthcare services in a community healthcare setting. The course will be commenced on 26 April 2021 and is now open for application. For details, please refer to the Annex.

As a support to the development of the professionals participating in the DHC scheme, participants who have fulfilled the course requirements and attained the certificate may apply to FHB for reimbursement of **\$3,000** within 6 months of award. The final approval of the reimbursement is at the discretion of the Government.

We look forward to your active participation. Should you have any enquiries related to the training subsidy, please feel free to contact us at 2205 2470 or by email at pho@fhb.gov.hk. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr Cissy CHOI)
for Secretary for Food and Health

Professional Certificate in Primary Healthcare for Occupational Therapy

基層醫療職業治療專業證書

Primary healthcare is a new area of development in the healthcare system in Hong Kong and a new specialty area in rehabilitation. This is in line with the current Government's plan for the development of District Health Centres in all 18 districts for providing primary healthcare to people in the community. This course aims to provide updated knowledge on primary healthcare for practising occupational therapists in Hong Kong in order to prepare them to be a primary healthcare practitioner.

On satisfactory completion of this course, students should be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of the existing and potential needs of primary healthcare service in Hong Kong.
- formulate a plan to develop occupational therapy service in primary healthcare settings.



The course will cover the following topics:

Common topics with both occupational therapy & physiotherapy

- Overview of healthcare policy and system and healthcare needs – global and local views
- Primary healthcare service in Hong Kong
- Biopsychosocial model in healthcare
- Frailty prevention

Occupational therapy specific topics

- Application of chronic disease self-management in occupational therapy
- Global review of occupational therapy practice in primary healthcare
- Local review of occupational therapy practice in primary healthcare settings
- Occupational therapy in health risk assessment, disease prevention and health promotion
- Community rehabilitation for chronic illness in primary healthcare settings for different client groups



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Course Details

Course Code:	SPDQ6002
Class Code:	GA24
Duration:	April-July 2021 (44 hours in 4 months)
Time:	Monday and Thursday evenings
Course Fee:	HK\$13,000* <i>* For eligible applicants, the Food and Health Bureau will subsidise HK\$3,000 of the course fee.</i>
Venue:	PolyU Main Campus / PolyU Hung Hom Bay Campus / PolyU West Kowloon Campus
Teaching Mode:	Blended mode (face-to-face and online) Some face-to-face classes may be changed to online mode if necessary.
Medium of Instruction:	English
Entry Requirements:	Hong Kong registered occupational therapists or holders of a Bachelor's degree in Occupational Therapy included in the list of quotable qualifications of the Occupational Therapists Board.
Professional Recognition:	15 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) hours recognised by the Occupational Therapists Board via the voluntary CPD scheme.
Certification:	Students who have passed and completed a group assignment, two quizzes, participation requirements, and attended at least 70% of the course will be presented with a Certificate awarded by PolyU SPEED.
Closing Date for Application:	31 March 2021 (<i>places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.</i>)
Submission of Application:	Scan the QR code for the application form and payment methods.



資歷架構
Qualifications Framework

QF Level 6
QR Registration No. 20/000608/L6
Validity period from 27 August 2020

Supporting Organisation



康復治療科學系
Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

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