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Dear Mrs Chan,

**Reminder on Renewal of Annual Practising Certificate for 2019/2020**

I write to seek your assistance in reminding members of your association to renew their practising certificates if they have not done so yet.

In accordance with section 16(1) of the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance, Chapter 359, Laws of Hong Kong, a person registered as a physiotherapist shall not practise the profession in Hong Kong unless he is the holder of a practising certificate which is then in force. Section 10(4) of the Ordinance empowers the Physiotherapists Board that to direct the removal from the register of the name of a registrant who –

- requests in writing that his name be removed;
- is deceased;
- being a person required to be the holder of a practising certificate, has practised the profession in Hong Kong for a period exceeding six months without having obtained such a certificate;
- is not practising his profession in Hong Kong; or
- has not supplied the secretary of the board with an address in Hong Kong at which all notices from the board may be served on him.

All annual practising certificates are due for renewal on 1 July each year. Those registered physiotherapists who have not yet applied to the Physiotherapists Board for renewing their annual practising certificates should do so immediately on or before 30 June 2019. If they do not apply for renewal of the practising certificate by 31 December 2019, their names will be liable to be removed from the register of physiotherapists.

You may wish to note that the Board has promulgated new criteria for restoration of names to the Register of Physiotherapists under section 10(5) of the Ordinance which took effect on 1 November 2013. Applicant, who applies for restoration after more than 3 years from the expiry date of his/her last practising certificate, should submit evidence to show that he/she has equipped himself/herself with updated physiotherapy-related professional knowledge and skills to practise the profession. The applicant would have to attain at least 15 continuing professional development (CPD) points, in which the majority of the CPD points should be acquired from participation in 'core' CPD activities for physiotherapists. Details of the arrangement and application form can be downloaded from the Board's website at [https://www.smp-council.org.hk/pt/en/content.php?page=reg\\_appres](https://www.smp-council.org.hk/pt/en/content.php?page=reg_appres).

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Thank you for your attention and assistance in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



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for Secretary, Physiotherapists Board