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 23 June 2006 in accordance with section 21 of the Medical Registration Ordinance, Chapter 161 of the Laws of Hong Kong, was satisfied that Dr. TSE Wai Ip, being a registered medical practitioner:—

- (a) sanctioned, acquiesced in or failed to take adequate steps to prevent the publication of an article in the Sing Tao Daily on 10 October 2003 which contained promotional materials relating to his experience, skills and/or practice;
- (b) sanctioned, acquiesced in or failed to take adequate steps to prevent the publication of an article in issue 11 of the Eastweek on 12 November 2003 which contained promotional materials relating to his experience, skills, qualifications, practice, clinic and/or equipment;
- (c) failed to ensure that no professional fees for different types of surgical procedures should be mentioned in an advertisement in issue 17 of the Eastweek on 24 December 2003 of the Hong Kong Cataract Centre (香港白內障中心) and Hong Kong Oculoplastic Centre (香港眼部整形中心), with which he had a financial or professional relationship.

The Council was satisfied that in relation to the facts alleged, Dr. TSE has been guilty of misconduct in a professional respect.

In accordance with section 21(1)(iv) of the said Ordinance, the Medical Council made the following orders on 23 June 2006:—

- (a) in respect of the first charge, the name of Dr. TSE Wai Ip be removed from the General Register for a period of 1 month, and the order shall be suspended for a period of 12 months, subject to the condition that he does not commit further disciplinary offences during the suspension period;
- (b) in respect of the second charge, the name of Dr. TSE Wai Ip be removed from the General Register for a period of 1 month, and the order shall be suspended for a period of 12 months, subject to the condition that he does not commit further disciplinary offences during the suspension period;
- (c) in respect of the third charge, the name of Dr. TSE Wai Ip be removed from the General Register for a period of 3 months, and the order shall be suspended for a period of 24 months, subject to the condition that he does not commit further disciplinary offences during the suspension period.

The Medical Council further ordered that the above orders should run concurrently.

Dr. TSE Wai Ip subsequently appealed to the Court of Appeal against the orders of the Council. On 30 August 2010, the Court of Appeal dismissed the appeal.

In accordance with section 21(5) of the said Ordinance, the above orders shall be published in The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette.

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