

Kiang Wu Hospital Visit

In early summer, Younger Fellows Chapter (YFC) organized a visit to Kaing Wu Hospital (KWH) in Macau. The trip was from 18th to 19th July 2009. Aim of it was to introduce our group to fellow surgeons in Macau.



Delegates of Younger Fellows Chapter and Staff of Kiang Wu Hospital

The schedule was very packed so 13 of us left Hong Kong early, at 8am. The program was started by a welcome speech by the vice-superintendent of KWH, Dr Chan Tai Ip. He introduced new development of the hospital including oncology service, magnetic resonance machine, and opening of Dr Henry YT Fok Specialist Medical Center. Then Dr Cheong Hai Shuen, chief of department of surgery, enlightened us on the 'new era of surgical management in KWH'. The service provided was all-rounded, covering all the disciplines including general surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, pediatric surgery, plastic surgery and urology. We were glad to have Dr Lei Man Sang, executive director of Macau Surgical Association (MSA), to brief us on the history of MSA.

From our side, Dr Henry Kwan introduced the concepts of setting up of younger fellow chapter. Dr Chad Tse, the founding chairman, talked about career development of surgeons in Hong Kong. Finally, Dr Lai Cheuk Sin, president of MSA, gave his heartfelt advice to fellow surgeons on how to survive in this competitive field and marked the end of this sharing session.

In the afternoon, we visited endoscopic training center, suites for private patients, day surgical center and new operating rooms. All these facilities were fully equipped. They were prepared to cope with the increasing demand of patients for more sophisticated surgical care. We were inspired by the vision of development.

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Living room of a suite for private patient



Fellows from HK was doing a simulated endoscopy in endoscopic training center

To show our gratitude to the warm hospitality, we had dinner with local surgeons in a Portuguese restaurant in that evening. We tried local dishes and wine. There was laughter throughout the dinner. In a relaxed environment, we shared experience in life and work.



Time to relax



Exchange of souvenir: Dr HS Cheong (right), Chief of Surgery of KWH and Dr Henry Kwan (left), Chairman of YFC

Evaluation of this visit was on the next day. Every one of us was glad to have come. Apart from making new friends, it was also an eye-opening experience. The sincerity of surgeons in Macau left us warm memory. We are looking forward to see them in the coming annual scientific meeting.

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