

MESSAGE

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This is the third Teachers of Psychiatry (ToP) Meeting in the Asia-Pacific region. The first meeting in 2005 was held at Port Douglas, Australia, and the second in 2009 was at the National University of Singapore.

The Shanghai meeting organized by the Shanghai Mental Health Centre and the Pacific-Rim College of Psychiatrists has drawn together many experts in psychiatric education around the Asia-Pacific region.

The theme of this meeting, 'Evaluation to Improve Quality of Education, Service and Research', is relevant to all of us who work in the field of mental health, whether in the academia or in public healthcare.

There are workshops planned for training on how to evaluate educational programs, clinical service and research. We certainly hope these workshops will be enriching and stimulating. More importantly, we hope the experience will help us to re-think and re-examine how we can provide better clinical service, and improve educational programs and research.

The new decade heralds unprecedented opportunities for all of us to engage and connect with other colleagues. [This meeting will also provide an opportunity](#) to discuss and collaborate for future training programs and research projects around the Asia-Pacific region.

I want to congratulate our Shanghai colleagues, Prof Xiao Zeping, Prof Xu Yifeng and Prof Zhao Min, for putting up an excellent programme. We appreciate the contributions of the many excellent Teacher of Psychiatry, including Prof Norman Sartorius, Prof Ed Chiu, Prof Yuxin, Prof Helen Chiu, Prof He Yanling, Prof Cui Hongdong, Prof Allan Tasman, Prof Graham Mellsop, Prof Philip Morris, Prof John Wong, Prof Tan Chay Hoon, Prof Paul Leung, Prof MY Chong and Dr Hiram Mok.