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## Attention News Editors:

Regarding the recent medical incident of chemotherapy in Prince of Wales Hospital, the Hospital Authority (HA) spokesperson made the following announcement today (25 June):

HA expressed great concern on the incident and has set up an investigation panel to investigate the circumstances surrounding the medication incident on inadvertent intrathecal vincristine administration and to make recommendations to prevent recurrence of similar incidents.

The investigation panel will be chaired by Professor Ian Tannock of Medical Oncology at Princess Margaret Hospital in Canada. Other members include Professor Grace Tang, President of Hong Kong Academy of Medicine; and Dr P Y Leung, HA Director (Quality & Safety). The investigation report is expected to be completed by end of July.

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Appended are the brief CV of Prof Ian Tannock and Prof Grace Tang (English only).

Brief Curriculum Vitae 2007

**Professor Grace Tang** *Justice of the Peace*

MBBS (HK), MD(HK), FRCOG, FHKAM (Obs & Gynae)

Specialist in Obstetrics & Gynecology

Hon Fellow, Singapore Academy of Medicine

Hon Fellow, Royal College of Physicians of Ireland

Hon Fellow, American College of Physicians

Hon Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Physicians

Hon Fellow, Hong Kong College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists

Hon Fellow, Malaysia Academy of Medicine

**Positions (Selected)**

- Professor in Obstetrics & Gynecology, Faculty of Medicine, the University of Hong Kong
- Dean, Faculty of Medicine, the University of Hong Kong (1998-2001)
- Council Member, Hong Kong College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists (1991 ? 1996)
- President, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (2005 ? 2008)
- Chairman, Education and Accreditation Committee, Hong Kong Medical Council (2000 ? 2009)
- Member, Nursing Board (1982 - 1999)
- Chairman, Registration Committee of the Veterinary Surgeons Board (1997 - 2003)
- Member, Social Worker Registration Board (1998 - 2003)
- Chairman, Supplementary Medical Professions Council (1998 - 2005)
- President, Hong Kong Menopause Society (2006 ? 2008)
- President, Hong Kong Osteoporosis Society (2007 ? 2009)
- Vice-President, Hong Kong Family Planning Association (1997 ? 2007)
- Chairman, Management Committee of the Asian Medical Education Association (2001 ? 2007)
- Member, Board of Governors of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital (2002 ? 2007)
- Member, Admission, Budget, Allocation Committee of Community Chest (1996 ? 2007)
- Member, Women Commission, HKSAR (2006 ? 2008)
- Member, Reproductive Technology Council HKSAR (2007 ? 2009)
- Principal Member, Ministry of Health of Peoples Republic of China (PRC) Preparatory Committee of Specialist Registration (2007 onwards)

## Awards

- Young Scientist Award, Asia-Oceanic Federation of Obstetricians & Gynecologists 1991
- Long Service Award, Auxiliary Medical Service 1989 & 1999
- Long Service Award, University of Hong Kong 2005
- Outstanding Women Professionals and Entrepreneurs Award 2005

**Ian F Tannock MD PhD**

Professor Ian F Tannock MD (Pennsylvania) PhD (London) is the Daniel Bergsagel Professor of Medical Oncology at Princess Margaret Hospital and the University of Toronto. He is one of Canada's best-known oncologists and a major international leader in cancer research. His research work on tumour biology, cytotoxic drug administration, treatment outcome measurement and medical ethics has improved the quality of cancer care and research world-wide. He studied methods to modify drug penetration through tissue with clinically relevant strategies, and proposed a continuum of research from tissue culture models through animal experiments to clinical trials. He also introduced the use of quality of life and pain relief as effective outcome measurements in clinical trials and used these measurements to establish less toxic chemotherapy drugs as standard treatment for advanced cancers. Two of the textbooks he edited, including *The Basic Science of Oncology* and *Oxford Textbook of Oncology*, are essential reference for trainees in most oncology training centers in United States and Canada. He was the 2003 recipient of O Harold Warwick Award from Canadian Cancer Society. He currently chairs the Ethics Committee that guides the development and assures compliance of Code of Ethics for members of American Society of Clinical Oncology, the world largest oncology society.

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