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The Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists

We are committed to serving the Profession, the Industry and the Community.

香港執業眼科視光師協會

Introduction

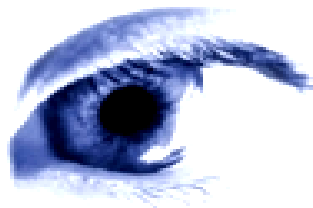
The Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists (APPO) was established on November 1, 1999 with the objectives :

- To promote primary care optometry to the public
- To raise the standard of eye care in Hong Kong
- To maintain the highest standard of professional competence and conduct
- To protect the interests of private practice practitioners and to increase their competitiveness, public status and prestige



Vision:

Optometry to be the number ONE choice in primary eye care
Optometrists to be the best primary eye care providers



Mission:

APPO as the opinion leader in vision care
APPO Members as the best providers of vision care

Pledge:

We are committed to serving the profession, the industry and the community



Membership

Requirements

- Registered Part I Optometrist in self-employed private practice in Hong Kong.
- Fully equipped and willing to perform Primary Eye Care (PEC); routine dilation is not mandatory but must be capable of performing this when required.



Duties

- Support APPO.
- Support PEC.
- Fulfill Quality Index for membership renewal.

Benefits

- Exclusive terms and incentive trips offered by different suppliers.
- Special discounts on group purchases of equipment.
- Optimised margin with full range of private label contact lenses.
- Attractive credit card merchant service transaction rate with no annual fees.
- Attractive Professional Indemnity Premium covering not only individual optometrists but all optometric and supporting staff.
- Continuing Education Seminars with buffet at sponsored rates.
- Free one-day trips for Members and their families.
- Electronic “**APPrOach**” periodicals which provide up-to-date information on the industry and sharing from Members.
- Referral list for public access on APPO website.
- Free webpage under APPO website.



How to gain points for your Quality Index (QI)?

2022

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

- All CPD hours endorsed by the Optometrists Board†
- 2 points per CPD hour
- Minimum points required for membership renewal : 20 points
- Maximum points gain under this category : 40 points



Exclusive Products

- Each bulk purchase gains 10 points
- Each product is counted once only
- Minimum points required for membership renewal : 20 points
- Maximum points gain under this category : 40 points

Activities**

- 5 points for attending one Council meeting
- 5 points for each article submitted and accepted for publication by Editorial Committee
- 5 to 15 points for each endorsed community service
- 5 to 15 points for joining as committee member of APPO (5 points for joining , 5 points per meeting, maximum 15 points)
- 5 points for joining Health Care Voucher Scheme for the first time

Charitable Contribution**

- 5 points for a single donation of over HK\$5,000 to any charitable organisation by a Member or a Member's practice registered with APPO



Point Deduction

- Professional misconduct
- Dishonest declaration on : Display of consultation fees, CPD hours, instruments
- Improper use of professional titles

Total QI

Pass 70

Award 110

Maximum 140

** Further details on “How to gain points for your Quality Index ” can be obtained upon request



Objectives and Roles of each Committee

Business Development Committee

- Objective : To explore business opportunities so as to increase business of Members
- Roles include : Developing better practice management
Reducing costs of practice set up
Reducing costs for practice operation

Continuing Education Committee

- Objective : To keep Members abreast of the most up-to-date knowledge and trends in optometry
- Roles include : Planning and organising Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programmes and activities that meet the learning needs of our Members

Editorial Committee

- Objective : To enhance communication between the Association and its Members
- Roles include : Publishing electronic periodicals and annual reports
Working with other committees on all forms of publication

Industry Relations Committee

- Objective : To liaise with the Industry to obtain optimal deals for the Association and Members
- Roles include : Acquiring high quality products with the best terms for Members
Building up our own series of private label products
Increasing our bargaining power through liaison with Members
Informing Members of product information
Building a positive relationship with suppliers
Monitoring the quality of products and services of suppliers

Information Technology Committee

- Objective : To make use of information technology to help the Association fulfill its vision and achieve its mission
- Roles include : Utilising the internet as a channel to work with all committees and Members

Membership Committee

- Objective : To strengthen the Association through expansion of membership
- Roles include : To recruit new members by active invitation
To retain members by facilitating communication between them

Professional Affairs Committee

- Objective : To develop the inter-relationships between optometrists and other healthcare professionals, as well as intra-relationships within our own profession
- Roles include : Observing and studying health reform and public health policies of the Hong Kong SAR

Public Education Committee

- Objective : To educate and promote proper eye care to the public
- Roles include : Strengthening public awareness on the importance of eye care
Promoting PEC
Promoting optometrists as the leading PEC providers

Public Relations Committee

- Objective : To promote APPO as an authority in eye care and a provider of PEC
- Roles include : Liaising with PR agency in the development and management of PR plans
Relating PR campaigns with APPO objectives

Quality Committee

- Objective : To monitor and uphold the quality of Members to ensure they are the most competent and elite in providing professional eye care services to the public
- Roles include : Implementing a Quality Index System to gauge Members' professional and ethical merits and demerits, and their loyalty and contribution to the Association
Investigating complaints against Members and reporting to the Council

Recreation and Welfare Committee

- Objective : To foster intra-relationships between Members and APPO through recreation
- Roles include : Organising recreational activities for Members and their families

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Dear Colleagues,

1 January 2022

The establishment of The Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists (HKAPPO) is

- To protect the interests of private practice optometrists
- To increase the competitiveness of private practice optometrists
- To promote primary care optometry
- To foster cooperation and communication between private practice optometrists and product suppliers

Membership of the Association provides you with

- A valuable source of updated information on events and development in optometry
- A platform to voice your opinion to fellow optometrists
- Access to keep in touch with other eye care professionals and organizations both local and abroad
- Group bargaining power : special terms and offers from suppliers

To ensure unity of the Association and enhance member's participation, each member would be given an index, which is calculated annually based on each individual's active participation in the Association's activities.

Full membership is available to Part I registered optometrists in self-employed private practice. All applicants are requested to have TWO references from our current full members. Besides, all applicants need to be interviewed by Quality Committee before acceptance of the application.

Entrance Fee and Annual Subscription with effect from 1 January 2022 will be:

	Entrance Fee	Annual Subscription
Full Membership	HK\$ 2,000.00	HK\$ 3,800.00*

** Members have the protection of the Professional Indemnity Insurance cover (basic and OK) included in their membership fee.*

To apply for membership, please

- Fill in the application form
- Fill in the equipment form
- Enclose photocopies of your current Business Registration Certificate
- Enclose photocopies of Optometrists Board Registration Certificate **and** current Practicing Certificate
- Enclose recent passport photograph
- Official Document listing out the name of partners (e.g. form NAR 1 or NCC1)
For Sole Proprietors, please enclose a copy of the electronic extract of Business registration
- Enclose a **crossed cheque** made payable to **"APPO" or "The Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists Limited"** and post to the secretary at

TST PO box 98556

Regards,
Secretary (Liaison)



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Application for Full Membership 會員申請表

(A) Particulars of Applicant 申請人資料

Applicant's name : (Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Dr.*)		申請人姓名		Applicant's photo 申請人近照
HK ID. number 香港身分證號碼	Date of Birth 出生日期 DD/MM/YY			
B.R. Number 商業登記號碼				
Name of Practice 公司名稱				
Address of Practice 公司地址				
Optometrist Reg. No. 視光師註冊號碼		Telephone 電話		Fax 傳真
Mobile 手機		Email address 電郵地址		
English name to be printed on Membership Certificate				

(B) Professional Qualifications 專業資格

Qualifications	Year attained	Institutions

(C) Membership of Professional Associations 其他視光學組織會籍

<input type="checkbox"/> HKSPPO	<input type="checkbox"/> HKOA	<input type="checkbox"/> HKAOK	<input type="checkbox"/> others
Professional Indemnity cover 專業責任保險		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes 有	<input type="checkbox"/> No 無

(D) Declaration 聲明

I agree to abide by the Articles and Regulations and Members' Regulation Handbook of The Hong Kong Association of Private Practice Optometrists. I declare that (i) I am a *Shareholder/Partner/ Sole Proprietor of the practice stated in Part (A) of the form, (ii) I practise and make company decisions independently, and (iii) the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. I have no criminal offence, conviction involving fraud, dishonesty, or professional misconduct. I agree that in order to further the objects of the Association, name(s), address(es) and telephone number(s) of my practice(s) may be disclosed to Members of the Association, the public, other organizations and associations.

現聲明 (i)本人是此表格內(A)部份填寫的*公司股東/合夥人/獨資經營者，(ii)本人對我司擁有獨立自主及執行職能的權利及(iii)就本人所知所信，上述資料全部正確無訛。

本人同意遵守香港執業眼科視光師協會會規及會章的條款。本人並無任何犯罪紀錄，及同意協會在推廣會務時公開本人的公司名稱、地址及電話予協會會員、公眾及相關機構。

Applicant's signature 申請人簽署	Date 日期
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Reference* (must be Full Member of the Association) 介紹人 (必須為本會正式會員)

* If you do not have any references, please contact our Operations Manager on 2333 3386

Name 姓名	Membership No. 會員號碼	Signature 簽署
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Application : <input type="checkbox"/> accept <input type="checkbox"/> not accept	Effective date :	
Cheque No. :	Amount : HK\$	Bank :
Received by :	Date :	
Remarks :		



Equipment and PEC 14 steps declaration form (2022)

PEC Steps		Equipment needed		Remarks	Other supplementary Equipment	
Case history taking	<input type="radio"/>				A scan	<input type="radio"/>
Visual acuity assessment	<input type="radio"/>	With lighting control	<input type="radio"/>		Cycloplegic drug	<input type="radio"/>
		Viewing distance >=4M			Keratometer	<input type="radio"/>
		VA chart	<input type="radio"/>		Maddox wing	<input type="radio"/>
		Projector	<input type="radio"/>		Prism bar	<input type="radio"/>
		Viewing distance >=2.5M but <4M			Fundus Camera	<input type="radio"/>
		With mirror	<input type="radio"/>		Topographer	<input type="radio"/>
		VA chart	<input type="radio"/>	Video slit lamp	<input type="radio"/>	
		Projector	<input type="radio"/>	OCT	<input type="radio"/>	
		Space saving chart/ mirror chart	<input type="radio"/>	Others: _____	<input type="radio"/>	
Cover test (Distance and Near)	<input type="radio"/>	Occluder	<input type="radio"/>			
Objective refraction & Subjective refraction, PD measurement	<input type="radio"/>	Retinoscope	<input type="radio"/>			
		Auto-refractor	<input type="radio"/>			
		Trial frame + trial lenses	<input type="radio"/>			
		Phoropter	<input type="radio"/>			
		Pupillometer	<input type="radio"/>			
Colour vision assessment	<input type="radio"/>	Ishihara	<input type="radio"/>			
		D-15	<input type="radio"/>			
		HRR	<input type="radio"/>			
Stereoscopic vision test	<input type="radio"/>	Stereofly	<input type="radio"/>			
		Randot	<input type="radio"/>			
External ocular health assessment	<input type="radio"/>	Slit Lamp with _____ X Magnification (Max)	<input type="radio"/>			
Internal ocular health assessment	<input type="radio"/>	Ophthalmoscope	<input type="radio"/>			
		BIO+ Mydriatic drug	<input type="radio"/>			
		Volk lens _____	<input type="radio"/>			
		Gonio lens+ Local Anesthetic	<input type="radio"/>			
		Mydriatic drug	<input type="radio"/>			
Tonometry	<input type="radio"/>	Goldmann + Local Anesthetic	<input type="radio"/>			
		Perkins+ Local Anesthetic	<input type="radio"/>			
		Tono-pen+ Local Anesthetic	<input type="radio"/>			
		NCT	<input type="radio"/>			
		Tiolat's iCare tonometer	<input type="radio"/>			
Diagnosis & treatment	<input type="radio"/>					
Visual field assessment	<input type="radio"/>	Confrontation	<input type="radio"/>			
		Automated perimeter	<input type="radio"/>			
Motility test	<input type="radio"/>	Pen torch / Pen	<input type="radio"/>			
Accommodation & Vergence	<input type="radio"/>	RAF rule	<input type="radio"/>			
		VA chart and ruler	<input type="radio"/>			
Pupil Reaction	<input type="radio"/>	Pen torch	<input type="radio"/>			

Separate equipment form should be filled for each location

Name of practice : _____ Location (if more than one) _____

Name of Applicant's : _____ Signature : _____ Date : _____