

Speakers' Biographies

Helen Bartlett *PhD, MSc, BA*

Professor Bartlett is an internationally recognised gerontologist, with a professional background in community health practice. Her academic career spans over 20 years during which time she has held research and lecturing positions in social policy and health care in UK, Western Australia and Hong Kong, including 6 years as Deputy Head and Director of Research in the School of Health Care at Oxford Brookes University in the UK.

Professor Bartlett has established two leading university research centres in the UK at Oxford Brookes University (The Oxford Centre for Health Care Research and Development and The Oxford Dementia Centre) and the Australasian Centre on Ageing at the University of Queensland (UQ). All have involved extensive government, industry and community partnerships. Between 2001-2008, Professor Bartlett built a policy relevant and multidisciplinary research agenda at UQ including research programmes on healthy ageing, community engagement/social inclusion, and ageing/aged care policy.

Professor Bartlett has been influential in shaping the ageing research agenda in Australia through membership of the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing Building Ageing Research Capacity Project (BARC) and the management committee of the ARC-NHMRC Research Network in Ageing Well, for which she leads the national Emerging Researchers in Ageing initiative.

Currently, Professor Bartlett is the Associate Editor of the Australasian Journal on Ageing and on the editorial board of several other international journals. She has published extensively in the gerontology and related literature and has authored several books on aged care.

Professor Bartlett takes up her new appointment as Pro Vice-Chancellor (Gippsland) at Monash University in August 2008.

Ann Bowling *BSc, MSc, PhD, FFPH*

Professor Ann Bowling is a social scientist and is also seconded part time to the MRC Health Services Research Collaboration in Bristol, where she is exploring patients' preferences for treatment for angina. Her interests focus on social gerontology, in particular on quality of life in older age and on issues of equity of access to health care. Recently completed projects include a national survey of quality of life in older age and clinical decision-making in cardiology by age of patient (equity issues) (both funded by ESRC). She has an interest in methodology and has written three best selling texts on quality of life measurement and on research methods (all published by the Open University Press). She is currently a member of the Health Technology Assessment Board, the HTA Methodology Panel and the MRC's College of Experts assigned to the Health Services and Public Health Board.

Peter Chan *MSW, MPH*

Mr Peter H T Chan has been the Chief Project Administrator, Cadenza: a five-year \$380M project initiated by The Hong Kong Jockey Club to foster positive image towards older people and improve quality of care/life for Hong Kong elderly, since March 2008. He was the Executive Director of the Hong Kong Society for the Aged in 2007. Between 2003 - 2007, he was the Director of Strategic Initiatives and Special Projects of Richmond Health Services, Vancouver Coastal Health, BC, Canada, championing primary and community health care redesign. For over 12 years prior to that promotion, Mr Chan held several leadership positions within the Health Authority including Programme Manager of Diagnostics, Pharmacy and Allied Health; Administrator of Minoru Residence, a 200 beds extended care facility for people with disabilities and chronic conditions; and the Manager of Patient and Family Counseling of The Richmond Hospital.

Between 2000 – 2003, Mr Chan was appointed as Consultant of Long Term Care, Health, Welfare and Food Bureau of The Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; advising the Hong Kong Government on policy of Healthy Ageing and Long Term Care. He has been a consultant in organizational transformation, quality and risk management, and leadership development since 1994 for various government departments, and not-for-profit health and social service agencies in Canada, Hong Kong, Macau and China.

Mr Chan holds two Master Degrees, one in Social Work and one in Public Health from The University of Hawaii at Manoa. He has undergone extensive training in Quality and Risk Management organized by the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management and the Juran Institute. He has been an invited scholar teaching at different universities in Hong Kong and China. He contributed in several publications on quality management and long term care including "Long Term Care in the 21st Century: Perspective from around the Asia Pacific Rim" by Haworth Press (2002).

He was a member of the Planning Group for the Implementation of Bill 51 – Adult Guardianship Acts including Health Care Consent and Care Facility Admission Act. Mr Chan was appointed as a Commissioner for Taking Affidavits for British Columbia, Canada in 1994 – 1998.

Pui-hing Chau *PhD*

Dr Chau is a Research Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong Kong. She is working for the project entitled "CADENZA: A Jockey Club Initiative for Seniors" funded by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust. Dr Chau received her PhD in Statistics from The University of Hong Kong and she is one of the CADENZA Fellows trained by the CADENZA Leadership Programme. Before joining the academia, Dr Chau worked in the Census and Statistics Department of The Hong Kong Special Administrative

Region Government. Her research interests include applying statistics in the fields of epidemiology, medicine and demography. She is currently involved in designing, planning and implementing statistical surveys as well as performing statistical analyses. Dr Chau is also experienced in the application of official statistics in research studies. Her book – "How well are seniors in Hong Kong doing? An international comparison" summarized various well-being indicators about the older population in Hong Kong as compared to various countries.

Joanne Chung *BAppSc, BA, MHA, PhD, Dip, Dip, RN, RN*

Professor Joanne Chung is currently the Professor of the School of Nursing, and the Person-in-charge of the Centre for Integrative Digital Health Centre of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Her creativity, leadership and perseverance in research activities in the emerging and potentially lucrative field of telehealth are especially noteworthy, having resulted in her team's winning of many international prizes in the past years.

Currently, she is running a Mobile Integrative Health Centre which is directly improving the health and quality of life of many of the city's aged, as well as proactively addressing long-term problems associated with Hong Kong's ageing population. The Centre offers free health checks and monitoring services within a vehicular clinic that tours around selected districts of Hong Kong.

Professor Chung is also a pain specialist in both research and clinical practice. She has researched and developed an integrative pain management protocol for patients afflicted with cancer, chronic or idiopathic pain and which has been adopted by the School's clinics and received praise from many of their patients.

Shah Ebrahim *BM, BS, MSc, DM, FRCP, FFPHM*

Shah Ebrahim is Professor of Public Health, Department of Epidemiology & Population Health of The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. He is an epidemiologist with a clinical background in Geriatric Medicine. His research span interests in the use of genetic polymorphisms to test the effects of environmental exposures – termed Mendelian randomisation, the causes of heart disease and stroke in women, the effects of migration on obesity and diabetes in India, and the determinants of locomotor disability in old age. He is coordinating editor of the Cochrane Heart Group and co-editor of the International Journal of Epidemiology. He has worked on cohort studies; these include British Regional Heart Study, British Women's Heart & Health Study, Caerphilly & Speedwell Studies, and Boyd Orr Study. He chaired the Wellcome Trust Populations and Public Health Funding Committee since its inception to April 2007 and is a member of the Wellcome Trust Populations and Public Health Strategy Panel.

His current research involves international collaborations in which one of his studies contributes data for genetic and biomarker association studies. His published books include: George J, Ebrahim S. (Editors). *The Health of Older Women*. Oxford: OUP, 1992; Bennett GJ, Ebrahim S. *Essentials of Health Care of the Elderly*. Edward Arnold, 1992 (2nd ed 1995); Ebrahim S, Kalache A. (Editors) *Epidemiology in Old Age*. British Medical Association publications. 1996; Ebrahim S, Davey Smith G. *Health promotion in older people for cardiovascular disease prevention - a systematic review and meta-analysis*. Health Education Authority, London 1996; Ebrahim S, Harwood RH. *Stroke: epidemiology, evidence and practice*. Oxford OUP. 1999; Bowling A, Ebrahim S. (Editors) *Handbook of Health Research Methods: investigation, measurement and analysis*. Milton Keynes. Open University, 2005. He has published over 350 peer reviewed scientific papers in the field of epidemiology, health services research and genetic epidemiology.

Fung Hong JP, MBBS, MHP, FRCS, FCSHK, FHKAM, FHKCCM, FHKAM, FFPHM, FRACMA

Dr Fung Hong, currently the Cluster Chief Executive of the New Territories East Cluster at the Hospital Authority, is responsible for managing 7 public hospitals in the New Territories East Region with over 4,600 beds and 8,800 staff, serving a population of 1.3 million. He is also the Hospital Chief Executive of the Prince of Wales Hospital, the teaching hospital of The Chinese University of Hong Kong. At the corporate level, Dr Fung is the Chairman of the Clinical Informatics Programme Steering Group of the Hospital Authority through which he spearheads

the development of the clinical information systems and electronic patient records for the public hospital patients. Before his current appointment in 2002, he was responsible for the planning and development of the public hospital services and facilities in the Hospital Authority for over a decade.

Apart from working within the Hospital Authority, Dr Fung is heavily involved in the development of his profession. He coordinates the development of Administrative Medicine as a specialty and is the Programme Director for the training in Administrative Medicine at the Hong Kong College of Community Medicine. He is the Director of Development of the College of Surgeons of Hong Kong and helps in developing the directions for future surgical training. He is Honorary Professor of the Department of Medicine & Therapeutics and School of Public Health at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and he teaches healthcare management at both The University of Hong Kong and The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Elsie Hui BSc, MBBS, MRCP, FHKCP, FHKAM

Dr Elsie Hui, being a Specialist in Geriatric Medicine, is currently the Senior Medical & Health Officer of the Medical & Geriatric Unit at Shatin Hospital. She holds an honorary position at the Faculty of Medicine of The Chinese University of Hong Kong as Adjunct Assistant Professor.

Dr Hui obtained her Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery (MB BS) degree in 1989 at the University of London. She further her studies and achieved other postgraduate qualifications in MRCP (UK) Part II, FHKAM (Geriatric Medicine) and FRCP (Edinburgh).

Her research interests include the applications of telemedicine, various aspects of residential care (nutritional problems, infections, assessment tools, etc.) and the management of incontinence.

Over the years, she has published over 40 peer-reviewed papers and her latest research is in rehabilitation and self-management of chronic diseases.

Diana Lee RN, RM, RTN, PRD(HCE), MSc, PhD

Professor Diana Lee is Chair Professor of Nursing and Director of the Nethersole School of Nursing and Assistant Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. She is also a Visiting Professor of The University of London and Advisory Professor of Fudan University.

Besides her teaching and administrative roles, Professor Lee has researched and published widely, especially in the area of gerontological nursing. She has successfully obtained over HK\$90 million from various competitive research grants. Most of her research efforts are focused on promoting the health and well-being of elderly people in residential care homes and in the community. She has expertise in a range of research methodologies. She has also established international joint research work, especially in China and the UK, on elderly care.

Professor Lee has also published over 140 journal articles, book chapters and conference papers. Her latest publications include papers in the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, the *Gerontologist* and *Quality of Life Research*. She is also the editor and reviewer for a number of international nursing and

gerontological journals. Professor Lee has been invited to deliver keynote addresses in numerous international and national conferences.

Professor Lee also serves on a number of government and professional boards and organizations that are related to care of the older people in Hong Kong.

Alexandra Lo LLB, PCLL, LLB, LLM

Alexandra Lo is a professional consultant of the School of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong. She has more than 10 years' experience working as a solicitor in the private and public sector in Hong Kong, and is also qualified as a Chinese medicine practitioner. Her current research areas include tort, medical law and professional conduct. Alexandra is also a participant of the Cadenza Project.

Ng Sik-hung BSOCS, MSOCS, PHD, FBPsS, FRSNZ

Sik Hung Ng received his PhD in social psychology from Bristol University in 1978. In 1992 he was appointed Chair Professor and Head of the Department of Psychology, Victoria University of Wellington. Four years later he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand, the country's highest academic honour available to scientists and scholars. He returned to Hong Kong in 2000 to take up his present position of Professor (Chair) of Social Psychology at The City University of Hong Kong.

He has published over 90 international journal papers on social psychology and its applications to power, language and communication, culture and values, and ageing. Among his books are *The Social Psychology of Power*; *Power in Language*; *Ages Ahead: Promoting Intergenerational Relations*; and *Language Matters: Communication, Culture and Identity*.

He co-founded the New Zealand Institute for Research on Ageing, and served as the President of the International Association of Language and Social Psychology (2004-2006). Currently he is the President of the Asian Association of Social Psychology (2007-2009).

Catherine Tang PhD

Professor Catherine So-kum Tang obtained her PhD in Clinical Psychology at The University of North Texas, USA. She was with The Chinese University of Hong Kong until 2007, as a Professor in the Department of Psychology and Director of Graduate Studies in Clinical Psychology, Postgraduate Degree Programmes in Trauma Psychology, Gender Research Programme, and Gender Studies Programme. Currently, she is a Professor, Deputy Head of the Department of Psychology, and Director of Clinical Psychology Programs at The National University of Singapore.

Professor Tang is an active researcher with over 250 international refereed academic papers, conference papers, and academic book chapters on topics such as violence against women (rape, sexual harassment, and child sexual abuse), family violence (child abuse,

wife abuse, and elder abuse), women's health, clinical aspects of social issues, trauma psychology, and psychotherapy outcome.

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Jean Woo MA, MD, MB BChir, FRCP, FRCPE, FRACP, FHKAM

Professor Jean Woo graduated from Cambridge University in 1974. After medical posts in the Charing Cross, Hammersmith, and Brompton Hospitals, she worked in part time posts in general practice as well as research in The University of Hong Kong. She joined the Department of Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong in 1985 as Lecturer responsible for the development of the teaching and service in Geriatric Medicine, becoming Head of the Department in 1993 until 1999, Chief of Service of the Medicine and Geriatric Unit at Shatin Hospital from 1993, and Chair Professor of Medicine in 1994. From 2000-2006 she was Head of the Department of Community and Family Medicine, and from 2001-2005 Director of the newly established School of Public Health. Currently she heads the Division of Geriatric Medicine of the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, is Chief of Service (general) of the Medicine and Geriatric Unit at Shatin Hospital, and Honorary Professor, Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong Kong. Her research interests include chronic diseases affecting elderly people, health services research, nutrition epidemiology, quality of life issues at the end of life, with over 400 articles in peer-reviewed indexed journals.