

HKIA Lifetime Distinguished Service Award 2018

Dr. Robert Tseng

Dr. Robert Tseng was one of the key founding members of the Hong Kong Institute of Allergy when it was founded in 1995. He was the President of the Institute in 2012-2014, and Immediate Past President in 2014-2017.

Dr. Tseng obtained a Bachelor of Medical Science degree in St. Andrews University of Scotland in 1973 and studied in the Medical School in the University of Manchester where he graduated in 1976. Between 1976 and 1984, Robert held various academic posts in Manchester, Liverpool and London whilst doing his specialty training in Paediatrics.

IN 1984, he returned to Hong Kong and took up Lectureship in the Department of Paediatrics in Prince of Wales of Hospital. There, he developed an interest in Allergy and Asthma and published a number of papers on the epidemiology of asthma and the effects of air pollution on asthma and respiratory symptoms in schoolchildren in Hong Kong. He left the Department of Pediatrics in 1992 and has been in private practice since. Dr. Tseng is an Honorary Consultant to Heep Hong Society for Handicapped since 1992, and Honorary Associate Professor in Department of Paediatrics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong since 2015.

Robert has a fun and humorous character that makes him a most popular member of the Institute. He has been responsible for the Social Programs of the biennial Hong Kong Allergy Convention for the past 10-15 years. For those who have been to some of the Convention Dinners would certainly remember the singing and dancing that Robert has charismatically performed or coerced others to perform for us. His passion for allergy, dedication to the affair of the Institute contributed to the increased awareness of allergy in our profession as well as the community.

Dr. Tseng has set an excellent model of an inquisitive researcher, a brilliant clinician, and a caring colleague to all of us. He is indeed worthy of the Award of Lifetime Distinguished Service to the Hong Kong Institute of Allergy.