

Support & Management of the Brain Dead Patient and Donor Awareness

PROGRAM (Draft)

3rd November 2026

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine

08:45 Registration

09:00 **INTRODUCTION**

Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Group introduction, Aims and objectives of the course

09:10 **BRAIN DEATH**

Dr Gordon YS Choi, CONS (A&IC, PWH)
History of brain death, Review of brain death testing (differences & areas of controversies)

- Video Viewing Session

09:50 **PHYSIOLOGICAL SUPPORT OF POTENTIAL ORGAN DONOR**

Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Clinical updates and controversies

10:30 Morning Break

10:45 **Interactive Session (Ethical and legal principles and practice in different jurisdictions)**

Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Dr Will Loh, Head, Division of Critical Care, National University Hospital Singapore
Discussion and Sharing Session of clinical scenarios

11:30 **ORGAN DONATION IN HONG KONG AND SINGAPORE**

Ms Tan Chin Ling, Senior Transplant Coordinator, National University Hospital, Singapore
TBC, Organ Donation Coordinator, Hospital Authority, Hong Kong
Organ Donation Coordination in Hong Kong and Singapore

12:00 **UNDERSTANDING LOSS (Sharing Session)**

Ms Margaret Suen (Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU),
Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Dr Gordon YS Choi, CONS (A&IC, PWH)
Dr Will Loh, Head, Division of Critical Care, National University Hospital Singapore

13:00 Lunch

14:00 BREAKING BAD NEWS

Ms Margaret Suen (Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU),
Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Dr Gordon YS Choi, CONS (A&IC, PWH)
Dr Will Loh, Head, Division of Critical Care, National University Hospital Singapore

Scenarios (Video Session)

Grief and bereavement issues

Needs of families, Breaking bad news

Approaching families to consider organ and tissue donation

Handling conflict (between and within family members)

- Outline of 'Risk Factors' in bereavement
- Discussion of the needs of bereaved people (assessment, intervention and support)
- Demonstration and skills development around the time of death and post-donation

15:30 Afternoon break

15:45 Scenarios (Role Play) continue....

15:45 Death: Clinical/ethical/Legal aspect

Dr Will Loh, Head, Division of Critical Care, National University Hospital Singapore
Dr Gordon YS Choi, CONS (A&IC, PWH)

16:05 Death: Emotional aspect

Dr Wong Wai Tat, Associate Clinical Professor (Teaching) (A&IC, PWH, CUHK)
Ms Margaret Suen (Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU),

16:25 From death to organ donation

Ms Tan Chin Ling, Senior Transplant Coordinator, National University Hospital, Singapore
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16:45 *Wrap-up/Completion of workshop*