# Lions Kidney Educational Centre and Research Foundation (L.K.E.C.) Chairman's Annual Report (2024-2025)

### 1. Introduction

Thirty-four successful and challenging years had passed since the establishment of the Lions Kidney Educational Centre and Research Foundation (L.K.E.C.). During the period under review, the educational programmes and exhibitions that we organized were well received by the public and professionals. L.K.E.C. operated the largest Charitable low-cost Haemodialysis Centres in Hong Kong. With the expansion of the fourth Haemodialysis Centres, 61 Haemodialysis machines are now in full operation and we provide over 27,000 Haemodialysis sessions annually.

The first Renal Dialysis Centre, previously known as the "L.K.E.C.- Precious Blood Hospital (Caritas) Renal Dialysis Centre" which started service in 1991 moved to Shop B, G/F, Tai Hing Building, 132 Un Chau Street, Sham Shui Po and has been in full operation since May 2009 as L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre - Chinachem Group Renal Dialysis Centre. The second Renal Dialysis Centre, "L.K.E.C. - Chan Wong Sau Wah Memorial Renal Dialysis Centre" was established in the year 2000 and has been in operation for the past 25 years. L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre - Lions Club of Hong Kong Chinese Traditional Culture Tseung Chui King Miranda Renal Dialysis Centre had been in operation for the past 15 years. The fourth new L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre (Tai Po) – Warren Lee & Mildred Law Renal Dialysis Centre situated at G/F, Cranbtown Building, 13-15 Sui On Street, Tai Po, commenced its service in February 2021. This centre replaced the older centre, L.K.E.C. - HKLHD Motors Association Renal Dialysis Centre, which started the service in 2017.

The annual "Chinese University of Hong Kong - L.K.E.C. Visiting Professorship" was one of the highlights of our academic calendar. Various overseas reknowned Professors visited our Centres annually to provide professional advice. Our Patron, Mrs. Janet Lee, Wife of the Chief Executive of HKSAR, continued to give her full support and encouragement to the Foundation.

## 2. The 33rd Anniversary Charity Ball and the 34th Installation of the Board of Directors (2024-2025)

The 33rd Anniversary Charity Ball cum 34th Installation of the Board of Directors (2024-2025) was held on 28th September 2024 (Saturday) at the Regent Ballroom, Regent Hong Kong with over 420 guests and members attending. Our Guests-of-Honour were Dr. Simon Y. H. Tang, Director (Cluster Services), Hospital Authority and Lion Sammy N. Shum, District Governor, Lions Clubs International District 303 Hong Kong & Macao, China. Other guests included Dr. Patti Hill, Imm. Past International President & LCIF Chairperson of Lions Clubs International, Dr. Tam Wing Kun, BBS, MBE, JP, Past International President of Lions Clubs International, Professor Philip W. Y. Chiu, JP, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Dr. the Hon David T. Y. Lam, Legislative Councillor (Medical and

Health Services), Mr. Rodney Y. F. Teoh, Honorary Legal Advisor, Dr. Samuel K. S. Fung, Honorary Advisor and the Hon Edmund C. S. Wong, Legislative Councillor (Accountancy). The function was a great success and more than HK\$1,280,970 was raised.

### 3. Honorary Patron, Patrons and Honorary Advisors

We were honoured to have Mrs. Janet Lee, Wife of the Chief Executive, HKSAR as Honorary Patron, the Hon Andrew Leung Kwan-yuen, GBM, GBS, JP, President of the Legislative Council, HKSAR and the Hon Professor Lo Chung Mau, BBS, JP, Secretary for Health, HKSAR as Patrons. The Honorary Advisors were Professor the Hon Arthur K. C. Li, GBM, GBS, JP, Professor Philip W. Y. Chiu, JP, Professor Philip Li, PIP Dr. Tam Wing Kun, BBS, MBE, JP, PID Lion Paul Fan, SBS, BBS, JP, Dr. Peggy Lam, GBS, OBE, JP, Dr. the Hon David T. Y. Lam, Mr. Paul Y. Y. Wong, JP, Professor Lo Wai Kei, Dr. Chow Kai Ming, Professor Sydney Tang and Dr. Samuel K. S. Fung.

### 4. L.K.E.C. Board of Directors

### 4.1 The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met 6 times during the fiscal year 2024-2025. There were 41 Directors including the Chairman, the Honorary Chairmen, the Honorary Life Presidents, the Executive Vice Chairmen, Vice Chairmen, Ex-Officio Director, Directors, the Honorary Executive Administrator, the Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer. Most of the Board Meetings were well attended which reflected the keen interest and involvement of the Directors.

### 4.2 Board of Directors 2024-2025

The members of the Board included the Chairman Lion Miranda C. K. Tseung, Immediate Past Chairman Lion William C. F. So and the Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG. The Honorary Chairmen included Lion Arnald L. M. Ho, Lion Raymond Y. S. Kan (Honorary Treasurer), Dr. David C. W. Hui, Lion Winston C. Chan, Lion Fred Y. K. Lui and Lion Douglas L. T. Chan, PDG. Honorary Life Presidents included Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG, Lion Eric T. C. Cheung, MH, Lion Edward K. C. Wong, Lion Bond Y. P. Chan, MH, Ms. Belinda Cheng Man Man, Lion Jeanette Chan, Lion Chan Heung Fan, Lion Lau Ho Ching, Mr. Samuel T. W. Tai, Lion Henry K. C. Ho, Dr. H. Eric Chiang, Ms. Jesse S. Y. Yau, Lion Li Yam Ki and Lion William C. F. So. The Executive Vice Chairmen included Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong (1st), Ir. Lion William P. W. Tsang (2nd), Lion Tai Tak Cheung (3rd), Lion Eva F. W. Leung (4th), Dr. Jeremy Y. C. Teoh (5th), Lion Mimi. M. W. Kwok (6th). Vice Chairmen included Lion Henry K. C. Wong (7th) and Dr. Chan Chi Kwok (8th). Directors were Lion Angela Yuen, Dr. Simon L. H. Chiu, Ms. Gloria M. Y. Ki, Lion Ken L. K. Sit (Honorary Secretary), Lion Rubi Y. Y. To, Lion Grace F. S. Leung, Lion Branda F. F. Pang, Lion Susanna W. Y. Chan, Lion Sidney M. Y. Chang, Lion Patrick K. M. Chan and Lion Ivan K. M. Ting.

### 4.3 The Ex-Officio Director

The Ex-Officio Director was Lion Sammy N. Shum (DG).

### 4.4 Honorary Legal Advisors and Honorary Auditor

The Honorary Legal Advisors were Ms. Yvonne Y. H. Chiu and Mr. Rodney Y. F. Teoh, and the Honorary Auditor was Patrick Wong CPA Ltd.

### 5. Membership of L.K.E.C.

L.K.E.C. had a total of 324 members including the Chairman, 6 Honorary Chairmen, 14 Honorary Life Presidents, 6 Executive Vice Chairmen, 2 Vice Chairmen, 1 Ex-Officio Director, 11 Directors, 4 Fellows, 1 Ordinary Member, 256 Associate Members and more than 20 volunteers.

### 6. Staff of L.K.E.C.

The Honorary Consultant Nephrologists of the Centres were Dr. Andrew K. S. Choi and Dr. Tsang Kwong Yuen. There were 53 staff members including 1 Chief (Human Resources and Administration), 1 Finance Manager, 1 Secretary, 1 Project Coordinator, 1 Senior Accounting Clerk, 7 Clerks, 1 Renal Nursing Director, 32 Registered Renal Nurses, 1 Health Care Assistant and 7 Ward Assistants. Special thanks should also go to all our staff, without them, our work would not be so efficient and smooth.

### 7. L.K.E.C. Haemodialysis Centres

In 1991, L.K.E.C. started with 4 Haemodialysis machines in Precious Blood Hospital (Caritas) to provide low-cost Haemodialysis services to the needy and elderly end-stage kidney patients who were in financial difficulties. Since then, the number of machines has increased to 61. The fee for each Haemodialysis session including doctor's fee is about 20% of the normal charge (i.e. HK\$1,150 per session including Doctor's fee).

So far, 1,770 patients have benefited from our low-cost Haemodialysis services at the Centers and the patients had attended a total of more than 450,000 Haemodialysis sessions since 1991. Most of our patients were elderly with the average age of 70. More than 45% of our patients suffer from both Diabetes Mellitus and Hypertension in addition to their Kidney failure. We were proud to be able to provide low cost, efficient and high quality services to our needy patients, especially the elderly.

### 7.1 L.K.E.C. - Chan Wong Sau Wah Memorial Renal Dialysis Centre

The Centre was established in June 2000. This Centre was purchased with the donation from "Chan Wong Sau Wah Foundation". It is situated at Flat A-B, 1/F, Tai Hing Building, 132 Un Chau Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon. 18 Haemodialysis machines were installed. The Centre provides over 750 Haemodialysis sessions per month. The Centre provides the needy patients with low cost, high quality and efficient Haemodialysis services.

### 7.2 L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre - Chinachem Group Renal Dialysis Centre

The L.K.E.C. - Precious Blood Hospital Haemodialysis Centre (started in 1991) was the predecessor of this Centre. The Centre is situated at Shop B, G/F, Tai Hing Building, 132 Un Chau Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon. The Centre provides over 450 Haemodialysis sessions per month since May 2009. 12 Haemodialysis machines have been installed.



## 7.3 L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre - Lions Club of Hong Kong Chinese Traditional Culture Tseung Chui King Miranda Renal Dialysis Centre

L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre – Lions Club of Hong Kong Chinese Traditional Culture Tseung Chui King Miranda Renal Dialysis Centre is situated at Shop A, G/F, Tai Hing Building, 132 Un Chau Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon. 10 Haemodialysis machines had been installed in the Centre. The Centre provides over 350 Haemodialysis sessions per month.

# 7.4 L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre (Tai Po) – Warren Lee & Mildred Law Renal Dialysis Centre L.K.E.C. Day Dialysis Centre (Tai Po) is situated at Shop A & B, G/F, Cranbtown Building, 13-15 Sui On Street, Tai Po, New Territories. 21 Haemodialysis machines were installed in the Centre and its services commenced in 8th February 2021. The Centre provides over 650 Haemodialysis sessions per month. The renovation and medical equipments were generously donated by "The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust" in 2021. With the donation from Mr. Warren Lee & Lion Mildred Law in 2024, the centre was renamed as the Warren Lee & Mildred

Association Renal Dialysis Centre, which started the service in 2017.

Law Renal Dialysis Centre. This centre replaced the older centre, L.K.E.C. - H.K.L.H.D. Motors

### 8. L.K.E.C. Educational Programme

Large-scale seminars and exhibitions on prevention of kidney diseases and health education were successfully held. The Seminars and lectures were well received and actively supported by the public. Through these activities, we could educate the public on the prevention and treatment of kidney diseases and other health issues.

### 8.1 Health Exhibition 2024 "Breath Inspired"

Health Exhibition 2024 "Breath Inspired" was co-organized by the Medical Society of The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Lions Kidney Educational Centre & Research Foundation (L.K.E.C.). It was held on 5th & 6th October, 12th & 13th October and 19th & 20th October 2024 (3 consecutive Saturdays and Sundays) at MOSTown, Ma On Shan, MCP Discovery, Tseung Kwan O and YM² Yue Man Square, Kwun Tong respectively. The Grand Opening Ceremony was successfully held in the morning of 5th October 2024 at MOSTown, Ma On Shan and we were honored by the presence of distinguished guest including Dr. Jackie Leung, Assistant Director of Health (Health Administration and Planning). Our L.K.E.C. Chairman Lion Miranda C. K. Tseung, Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG, Honorary Life President Lion Edward K. C. Wong and 1st Executive Vice Chairman Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong also attended the ceremony. The Exhibition provided free health checks, information board displays, and health talks.

### 8.2 "Diabetes & Your Kidney" Health Exhibition & Seminar 2025 (糖尿病、腎病知多啲)

"Diabetes & Your Kidney" Health Exhibition & Seminar 2025 was co-organized by Lions Club of Rosmead and Lions Kidney Educational Centre & Research Foundation (L.K.E.C.). The function was held on 26th & 27th April 2025 (Saturday & Sunday) at YMCA Hong Kong, Tsim Sha Tsui. The opening ceremony was held on 26th April 2025 and was officiated by Dr. Lai Sheung Siu, Senior Manager, (Integrated Clinical Services) Hospital Authority, Lion Sammy N. Shum, District Governor of Lions Clubs International District 303 Hong Kong & Macao,

China and Dr. Sunny S. H. Wong, Chairman of Hong Kong Society of Nephrology. The event was followed by a talk on "Diabetes and Your Eyes" by Dr. YIP Lai Ting, Fanny, Specialist in Ophthalmology. On Sunday, 27th April, 2025 Dr. Wong Chi Kwan & Dr. Chan Koon Ming of the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology conducted the seminars with the topic of "Diabetes & Your Kidney". The events received a great response from the public with more than 100 attendees. The Exhibition and Seminar which lasted for 2 days. The aim was to raise public awareness of kidney diseases. Free check-ups were provided.

### 9. Hospital Authority – Haemodialysis Public-Private Partnership (HD-PPP) Programme

Since March 2010, the Hospital Authority (HA) collaborated with L.K.E.C., a qualified and recongnised community haemodialysis centre, to provide options for patients to receive haemodialysis under the Haemodialysis Public-Private Partnership (HD-PPP) Programme. Currently, the Hospital Authority (HA) has assigned 74 patients to receive haemodialysis at our Centres this year.

### 10. Visits to Renal Dialysis Centres

- 10.1 The Hong Kong Renal Nurses Association visited our Sham Shui Po Renal Dialysis Centres on 9th December 2024. Chairman Ms. Lam May Ki said that the visit was well arranged and participants gave high praise to our Centres.
- 10.2 Dr. Patti Hill, LCIF Chairman and Immediate Past International President of Lions Clubs International visited our Tai Po Renal Dialysis Centre on 10th December 2024 (Tuesday). She was accompanied by LCIF Co-Chairman Lion Douglas L. T. Chan, PDG and L.K.E.C. Director Lion Branda F. F. Pang. L.K.E.C. Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG, 1st Executive Vice Chairman Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong, 4th Executive Vice Chairman Lion Eva F. W. Leung and L.K.E.C. Director Lion Sidney M. Y. Chang introduced our daily operations to them.
- Ms. Nancy L. Z. Wong, Executive Director and Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Ms. Vivian Ng, Corporate Communications Manager of Lukfook Group visited the Sham Shui Po Renal Dialysis Centres on Friday, 11th April 2025. They were received by L.K.E.C. Chairman Lion Miranda C. K. Tseung, Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG, Honorary Chairman Lion Winston Chan, Honorary Treasurer Lion Raymond Y. S. Kan, Honorary Life Presidents Lion Henry K. C. Ho and Ms. Jesse S. Y. Yau and 1st Executive Vice Chairman Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong.
- 10.4 L.K.E.C. Chairman Lion Miranda T. K. Tseung and L.K.E.C. 3rd Executive Vice Chairman Lion Tai Tak Cheung of and a group of Lions from Lions Club of Chinese Traditional Culture visited our Sham Shui Po & Tai Po Renal Dialysis Centres on 24th April 2025 (Thursday). The Club donated lucky bags to our kidney patients. Special thanks to Lion Miranda T. K. Tseung and Lion Tai Tak Cheung for their kind arrangement. L.K.E.C. Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG introduced our daily operation to them.

### 11. The Chinese University of Hong Kong – L.K.E.C. Visiting Professor 2024

The 23rd Chinese University of Hong Kong – L.K.E.C. Visiting Professor, Professor Pierre Ronco, MD, PhD., Emeritus Professor of Nephrology at Sorbonne University and French University Institute,

France visited the L.K.E.C. Centres in 14th January 2025 (Tuesday). He praised the Centres for the wonderful work that we had done, and highly commended our staff for their dedicated work in serving the needy patients. At night, he delivered the pre-dinner talk on "Kidney Replacement Therapy in France" at Loong Yuen Cantonese Restaurant, Holiday Inn Golden Mile Hong Kong, Tsim Sha Tsui.

### 12. Fund Raising Activity

### 12.1 Territory-wide Flag day

On 7th September 2024 (Saturday), our flag day was held in Hong Kong, Kowloon and the New Territories. Our sincere thanks to Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong, Chairperson of the Organizing Committee and other members of the organizing committee. We recruited over 2,100 volunteers as flag-sellers. Special thanks goes to Flag Bag Collection Depots volunteers which included Perfect Life Association, Hong Kong Adventure Corps, Field and Mountain Division, Mrs. Irene Cheung, Lion Juliean S. H. Ng and Lion Hui Wai Kin. Also thanks to our organising committees L.K.E.C. Chairman Lion Miranda C. K. Tseung, Immediate Past Chairman Lion William C. F. So, Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG Honorary Chairmen Lion Raymond Y. S. Kan (Honorary Treasurer), Lion Winston C. Chan, Lion Fred Y. K. Lui, Honorary Life Presidents Lion Eric T. C. Cheung, MH, Lion Jeanette Chan and Lion Li Yam Ki. 3rd Executive Vice Chairman Lion Tai Tak Cheung and Director (Honorary Secretary) Lion Ken L. K. Sit, Past Chairman Mr. Henry C. H. Wong, Lion Davy S. F. Yuen, Lion Jason C. K. Ng and Lion Winnie S. C. Wong etc. We raised HK\$1,380,330. Once again we would like to thank our board members, staff and volunteers for their hard work in the past few months in organizing this fund raising.

### 12.2 Charity Walkathon "Lions Walk for Life"

"Lions Walk for Life" was held on 23rd March 2025 (Sunday) at Dragon Boat Terrace, Yuen Wo Road Sports Centre, Shatin (beside the Shing Mun River). More than 450 participants joined the fund-raising walkathon. We were grateful to have Dr. Cissy Choi, Chief Manager (Integrated Clinical Services), Hospital Authority, Lion Eva F. W. Leung, 1st District Governor, Lions Clubs International District 303 Hong Kong & Macao, China, Function Chairman Lion Loretta T. Y. Wong, L.K.E.C. Chairman Lion Miranda C. K. Tseung, Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG and Function Vice Chairman Lion Tai Tak Cheung for officiating at the Opening Ceremony. In addition to the Board of Directors, other guests included Honorary Auditor Professor Patrick L. T. Wong, BBS, JP, Ms. Ho Wan-kei, Double Gold Medalist in Boccia at the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games, L.K.E.C. Past Chairman Mr. Henry C. H. Wong, L.K.E.C. Past Chairman Lion Christina M. W. Ko, PDG, Lion Mercury P. S. Fung, PDG and District Council Member Mr. Cheung Kei-teng, MH. After the walk, participants enjoyed a Poon Choy (盆 菜) Lunch at the Lam Tsuen Wishing Square in Tai Po. We would like to thank the organizing committee members for their meticulous planning. We raised HK\$486,530 and we were grateful to all donors, the public, Lions, Field & Mountain Division, Volunteers and Board of Directors of L.K.E.C. for making this event a resounding success.

### 13. Promotion and support for Organ Donation

The Hong Kong Medical Association (HKMA) organized an Organ Donation Promotion Walk entitled "Spring Sowers 2025" at Central Harbourfront on 13th April 2025 (Sunday). Although this year's "Spring Sowers 2025" was the first since the pandemic, it still attracted over a hundred participants who enthusiastically registered and attended, demonstrating the enthusiasm of doctors, organ transplant recipients, and friends and supporters from the medical community and the public. The Association expresses their gratitude for our generous sponsorship, Honorary Executive Administrator Dr. Timothy S. C. Teoh, PDG represented our Centre at this event.

### 14. Financial Position of L.K.E.C.

The financial position of L.K.E.C. is healthy and stable. This is only possible because of the support of all the Directors of the Board, and especially the public at large. We would like to appeal to all members of the Lions Clubs and the public to continue to support this meaningful and worthwhile service for the needy in our society. The daily running cost of our Centres are ever increasing and any donations will be greatly appreciated.

### 15. Conclusion

Of the more than 11,200 kidney patients with end-stage kidney failure receiving renal replacement therapy, 80% of the patients are on Peritoneal Dialysis treatment, and only 20% are on Haemodialysis. More than 2,000 patients are waiting for transplants in Hong Kong. The Centres provided 27,000 Haemodialysis sessions this year. The average age of our patients is 70 years old. Over 45% of the patients have both diabetes mellitus and hypertension in addition to their kidney problems. The Centres has been able to serve the patients who needed our services most. Hence, we would like to appeal to the public and members of the Lions Clubs International District 303 Hong Kong & Macao, China to continue to support us in one way or other. Your generous contributions would be a great help for the betterment of our services to meet the ever increasing need in Hong Kong.

Finally, we would like to thank our Honorary Patron Mrs. Janet Lee, Wife of the Chief Executive, HKSAR for her devotion and undivided support throughout the year. We would also like to thank our Patrons, Honorary advisors and members of the Boards of Directors for their continuous encouragement and loyal support to L.K.E.C. throughout the year.