Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases

Student Handbook (2017-19)

(For candidates enrolled in November 2017)

Name of PDipID candidate: __________________________________________

Candidate No.: __________________________________________________

Name of Supervisor: _______________________________________________
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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Communication

Students are encouraged to actively contact their supervisors for advice throughout the course.

**Email is the major means of communication between the supervisor and students.** Update on time-table and notice will be sent by email. All students are requested to check their email on a daily basis and are expected to reply promptly to acknowledge receipt of email notice. If there are any changes in the corresponding address, email or telephone numbers, students should immediately inform the administrative office in WRITING.

From time to time, revisions to this handbook and other updates will be sent by Programme Secretariat via email.

2. Curriculum

The curriculum shall comprise an approved programme of study and practice in a field related to infectious diseases and clinical microbiology. It shall consist of (60 credits) of teaching units and prescribed work normally extending over 2 academic years of part-time study. This will comprise of:

a) **Lectures & Quizzes:** Six 2-day weekend courses (each of at least 10 hours)

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\(^a\)PDipID AY2017-2019 starts at Course IV.

b) **Clinical attachment:**

MICR6008 Infectious Diseases Clinical Attachment (15 credits)

- 2 Bedside Infectious Diseases Consultations (exact time to be arranged with supervisor);
- 1 Clinical Microbiology Laboratory Round (exact time to be arranged with supervisor);
- 3 Infectious Diseases Rounds* & 2 Presentations (1 case presentation + 1 project presentation).
*ID rounds are held every Friday morning 10:00 – 12:00 at QMH, candidate should attend 3 sessions and candidates’ project presentation & case presentation will be conducted during two of the ID round session.

c) **Project:**
MICR6009 Infectious Diseases Research Project (18 credits)

d) **Literature review:**
MICR6010 Infectious Diseases Literature Studies (Literature Review) (18 credits)

The curriculum shall include all examinations. To complete the curriculum a candidate shall
a) Follow instruction in the courses prescribed and complete satisfactorily all coursework requirements; and
b) Satisfy the examiners in all examinations as may be required.

3. **Format of continuous assessment**
Performance of the diploma candidates in the quizzes, clinical attachment, literature review and project will be the basis of assessment.

4. **Quiz**
There will be a total of 6 quizzes, each on the second day of each course (see table below). One mark would be awarded for each correct answer and no marks would be awarded or deducted for blank/wrong answer.

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*Questions format: MCQ

5. **Clinical attachment**
Candidates will be divided into groups of 2 to 4. Each candidate will spend 60 hours of clinical attachment within an assigned period of 3 months. The attachment would be in the format of the following 4 items.
a) Three Friday Infectious Diseases (ID) Rounds
Each candidate has to attend 3 ID rounds (Friday morning from 10 am to 12 noon, Conference Room 17-032, Block T, Queen Mary Hospital) in the assigned period of 3 months.
(Link to map: http://www3.ha.org.hk/qmh/qmfloorplan.htm)

b) Presentations
One case presentation and a presentation on the completed project are required. The presentations will be conducted during the Friday ID round. The project presentation should include the background, study objectives, methodology, results and discussion.

*Submission of PowerPoint files presented at Friday ID Rounds*
Soft copy of the presented PowerPoint files MUST be sent to course secretariat for record after your presentation.

c) Two Bedside Infectious Diseases (ID) Consultations
Candidates are required to follow 2 sessions of ID consultations with his/her supervisor. The purpose is to learn the clinical format and skill in managing hospitalized patients with ID. The exact date of bedside consultations will be decided among the candidates and their supervisor.

d) One Clinical Microbiology Laboratory Rounds
Each candidate has to attend 1 Clinical Microbiology Laboratory Round. It consists of laboratory tour and demonstration of some commonly used laboratory techniques. This is intended to provide the candidate with exposure to some common tests (e.g. Gram stain, bacterial cultures) conducted in the microbiology laboratory. Students should contact individual supervisors for arrangement of laboratory round in advance.

6. Project
A clinical and/or laboratory surveillance project (at least 2000 words) should be conducted over a period of at least 3 months within the candidate's own hospital or practice so that the candidate can understand the skills of epidemiological surveys. The candidate is responsible for working out the exact topic and study population with his/her supervisor.
7. Literature review of important topics in ID
Each candidate is required to write a literature review on a topic concerning infectious diseases or clinical microbiology. The candidate has to perform a literature search and extensively review all the relevant medical publications and submit **ONE signed hard copy and one soft copy** of a comprehensive summary of **at least 1500 words** (word count does not include reference list) before the deadline. The document should be fully referenced according to the format of “uniform requirements for manuscripts submitted to biomedical journals.” **Candidates are reminded NOT to choose topics already covered in the course lectures for review.**

*Submission of project dissertation and literature review to Course Secretariat
One signed hard copy of the project dissertation and a soft copy with either file in word and pdf formats (together with the checklist) **MUST** be included in the submission. (Appendix A, B and C)

Your submission of project dissertation will undergo plagiarism check. Please go to [http://www.rss.hku.hk/plagiarism/page2s.htm](http://www.rss.hku.hk/plagiarism/page2s.htm) for details. Official information about Turnitin in HKU could be found at [http://lib.hku.hk/turnitin/turnitin.html](http://lib.hku.hk/turnitin/turnitin.html)

8. Diploma candidates should refer to “The Graduate School Handbook” published by the Graduate School, The University of Hong Kong for other information, regulations, procedures not covered in this information handbook. (Available at [http://www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradsch/current-students](http://www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradsch/current-students))

9. Students are reminded to sign all course work and send the required hard and soft copies to the Course Secretariat either in person or by mail to Department of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong, Room 423, University Pathology Building, Queen Mary Hospital Compound, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong. Students should NOT send the course work directly to your supervisor. Submission of the titles for literature review and project (and the two-page project proposal) may be sent by email at pdipid@hku.hk or fax at 2855-1241.
II. GUIDELINES FOR PREPARATION OF MANUSCRIPTS

1. Manuscripts here refer to Literature reviews and Project dissertation.

2. Each copy of a manuscript shall be typewritten or printed on one side only of A4 size paper (297mm x 210mm), with a margin of not less than 40 mm on the left-hand edge of each page.

3. **Title page for Project Dissertation and Literature Review**: Include the name of the course, title of the review or dissertation, your name in full, your University number, name of the supervisor(s) and date of submission (Appendix A).

4. **Declaration page**: include the following sentences, “I, (name of candidate), declare that this manuscript represents my own work and that it has not been submitted to this or other institutions in application for a degree, diploma or any other qualifications.” and “I, (name of candidate) also declare that I have read and understand the guideline on ‘What is plagiarism?’ published by The University of Hong Kong (available at http://www.hku.hk/plagiarism/) and that all parts of this work complies with the guideline.” The declaration should be dated and signed by the candidate (Appendix B).

5. **Project dissertation**. Divide the text into the following sessions including title page, statement of declaration, acknowledgement, abstract, background, methodology, results, discussion, references, tables and figures. Begin each of the sections on a new page.

6. **Abstract for project dissertation**: An abstract in English of not fewer than 200 and not more than 500 words shall be a part of each dissertation. Use a structured format for the abstract with the following headings: background, objective, method, results and conclusion. Include a word count of the abstract.

7. **Text**. Double-space everything, including the title page, abstract, tables, references, and figure legends. Type only on one side of the paper and number all pages, beginning with the title page. Indent paragraphs 5 spaces; leave no extra space between paragraphs. Allow one space before beginning the next sentence. Use Times New Roman font size 12 and justify both margins. Include a word count of the body text. For literature review, the body text (excluding references) should contain at least 1500 words. For project dissertation, the body text (excluding references) should contain at least 2000 words.

8. **References**. Follow the Uniform Requirements style. Place numbers in parentheses, not in superscripts. Number citations in order of appearance (including in text, figures, and tables). Consult List of Journals Indexed in Index Medicus for accepted journal abbreviations; if a journal is not listed, spell out the journal title in full. List the first six authors followed by “et al”.

9. **Tables and figures**. Figures, symbols, lettering, and numbering should be clearly legible. For figures, use color as needed.
10. **Templates** for the cover page and declaration page are available at the website of Carol Yu Centre of Infection for download ([http://www.hkucoi.hku.hk](http://www.hkucoi.hku.hk)). These templates should be used in all the submitted manuscripts.

11. Additional and more detailed guidelines on the required format of the literature review and the project dissertation can be found at [http://www.hkucoi.hku.hk](http://www.hkucoi.hku.hk).

12. **Checklist.** Students are required to complete and submit a checklist together with their literature review and project dissertations (Appendix C).

13. **All assignments will be deemed as outstanding if the required format is not followed or that the student’s signature, declaration page and/or the checklist is/are not submitted.**
III. PROJECT PROPOSAL

The proposal should be about two pages in length and consist of the following sections (case series acceptable):

1. Title of project
2. Background
3. Objectives
   ◆ e.g. To find out the prevalence of MRSA nasal carriage among patients admitted from nursing homes to a regional hospital
   ◆ e.g. To describe the clinical features and outcome of 50 patients with acute pericarditis in a regional hospital from 1995–2000
4. Design
   ◆ e.g. prospective or retrospective study; observational or interventional; case series
5. Setting
   ◆ e.g. in-patients or out-patients, name of institute(s) for the proposed study
6. Duration of study
   ◆ e.g. four years retrospective review from 1997–2000
7. Patients
   ◆ e.g. number of subjects recruited
8. Measurements
   ◆ e.g. demographic data, clinical features, microbiology results
IV. ASSESSMENT

Candidates will be assessed throughout the two academic years as set out below. Performance of the diploma candidates in the quizzes, clinical attachment, topic dissertations (literature review) and project will be the basis of assessment.

Distribution of marks

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Passing mark:
Candidates who have obtained an overall mark of 50 or above shall be given a “PASS”.

Remedial studies

Any candidate who has failed to complete the curriculum may be permitted by the Board of Examiners to do any of the following:

- To sit a supplementary examination; and/or
- To repeat the clinical attachment; and/or
- To re-submit the topical dissertation(s); and/or
- To repeat and re-submit the project and project dissertation; and/or
- To undertake the study of any alternative course or courses that enable completion of the curriculum.

All remedial work has to be completed within a specified period of not more than three months. Supplementary examination will take place at a specified date (normally in July or August of the same academic year) determined by the Board of Examiners.

Absence from an examination

Candidates who are unable through illness or other acceptable reasons to attend for examination may apply (in writing) for permission to attend for examination at some other time.
## Fees

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VI. TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROJECT TITLE

Course Secretariat
Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases
Department of Microbiology
The University of Hong Kong
Room 423 Clinical Pathology Building
Queen Mary Hospital
102 Pokfulam Road
Hong Kong
(Fax: 2855 1241, Email: pdipid@hku.hk)

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Title of Project Dissertation for PDipID (AY 2017-2019)

Per the requirement of the PDipID course, I have discussed the title of my project dissertation with my supervisor. The agreed title is:

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Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely

Signature: __________________________

Name of candidate: __________________________

Date: __________________________

(This letter should be completed and sent to the department by email at pdipid@hku.hk, by fax at 2855 1241 or mail to Course Secretariat, Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases or by mail to the Department of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong, Room 423, University Pathology Building, Queen Mary Hospital, 102 Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong on or before 31 July 2018)

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VII. TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TITLES FOR LITERATURE REVIEW

Course Secretariat  
Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases  
Department of Microbiology  
The University of Hong Kong  
Room 423 Clinical Pathology Building  
Queen Mary Hospital  
102 Pokfulam Road  
Hong Kong  
(Fax: 2855 1241, Email: pdipid@hku.hk )

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Title of Literature Review for PDipID (AY 2017-2019)

Per the requirement of the PDipID course, I have discussed the topics for literature review with my supervisor. The agreed title is:

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Thank you for your attention

Yours sincerely

Signature: ______________________________

Name of candidate: ______________________

Date: ________________________________

(This letter should be completed and sent to the department by email at pdipid@hku.hk, by fax at 2855 1241 or mail to Course Secretariat, Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases or by mail to the Department of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong, Room 423, University Pathology Building, Queen Mary Hospital, 102 Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong on or before 31 July 2018)

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VIII. SELECTED LIST OF PAST PROJECT TITLES

1. Pelvic inflammatory diseases in a regional hospital in Hong Kong
2. The role of aspergillus in idiopathic hemoptysis
3. Does aging affect the clinical presentation of TB?
4. Study of virological role in 16 cases of toxic epidermal necrolysis and Stevens-Johnson syndrome admitted within 8 months in teaching hospital
5. Bacterial meningitis in Paediatrics in Tuen Mun Hospital July 1995 to June 2002
6. A descriptive review of the approach of management of suspected neurosyphilis in a regional hospital
7. Bacteriology in childhood urinary tract infection: a review in a regional hospital
8. Effect of alcohol-based handrubs on nosocomial pneumonia in an intensive care unit
9. Time series analysis of tuberculosis in Hong Kong
10. Phenotypic and genotypic characterization of Streptococcus bovis causing bacteremia
11. Retrospective review of respiratory virus infection in QMH Hong Kong 1998-2000
12. Retrospective review of meningitis in a regional hospital
13. An audit of antimicrobial prescription in a family clinic
14. Social factors predisposing outpatients to upper respiratory tract infections
15. Hospital and ICU admissions for cardiorespiratory conditions during influenza season-a descriptive study
16. A retrospective study for patients with Candidaemia in PYNEH in the year 2000-2002
17. Mantoux testing in young immunocompetent host
18. Toxigenic Clostridium difficile and intestinal acute graft versus host disease in allogenic stem cell transplantation: is there any association?
19. Infectious disease emergency in upper respiratory tract - a single center experience
20. 16s rRNA sequencing by Microseq 500.
22. Aeromonas Bacteremia in Hong Kong
23. Acute Exacerbations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease: pathogens, initial antibiotic usage and short term outcomes
24. Infective complications of primary prophylactic interleukin - 2 receptors antagonists in renal transplantation: result from a single centre experience
25. "Streptococcus milleri" endocarditis caused by Streptococcus anginosus in TMH & QMH
26. Body temperature Measurements in Children 0-6 years of Age
27. Antibiotic prescription pattern in a private practice clinic
28. Neonatal blood-stream infection in a regional hospital in Hong Kong: a four years retrospective study from 1999-2002
29. The role of absolute lymphocyte count in the Early Management of fever patients with suspected SARS in emergency department
30. The use of over-the-counter-antibiotic in a private clinic
31. Over-the-counter Acquisition of Antibiotics in HK: A Questionnaire Survey
32. The real life antibiotic prescribing pattern in a hypothetical patient with URTI symptoms among the general practitioners working in Hong Kong
33. Plesiomonas bacteremia in Hong Kong
34. A prospective randomized trial of meropenem versus imipenem/cilastatin as monotherapy for neutropenic fever during early phase post stem cell transplantation
35. Surveillance of central venous catheter related sepsis in an intensive care unit
36. The efficacy of one-day cefazolin versus extended course of Rocephin and Unasyn for neurosurgical patients with extraventricular drainage device (EVD) as prophylactic antibiotic cover in the prevention for EVD related ventriculitis
37. Nosocomial infections in seven subacute and chronic hospitals in Hong Kong
38. Retrospective analysis of the incidence and risk factors of sexually transmitted diseases in general practice 2000-2003
39. Comparison of accuracy, validity and equivalency of infrared temporal artery thermometer and infrared tympanic thermometer with mercury thermometer in two G.P. clinics in HK
40. The use of antibiotics with acute diarrhea in clinic settings. Prescribing practices, patient expectations, and patient satisfaction
41. Hygiene of water and food supplied by air caterers in Hong Kong in 2003
42. Comparison of risk factors associated with methicillin-resistant and methicillin-susceptible Staphylococcus aureus bacteremia: a retrospective review of a regional hospital in Hong Kong
43. Side effects of Mefloquine as antiviral prophylaxis by Travel Health Centre
44. A medical audit of neutropenic fever in Department of Clinical Oncology, PYNEH; a retrospective study
45. A study of three different Mycobacterial Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) methods carried out in Hong Kong Sanatorium and Hospital between June 02 and March 04
46. Lower respiratory tract infections in infants and children 6 years and younger treated in a regional hospital over a year period in HK
47. Implementing clinical guideline of appropriate antibiotics use for treatment of acute respiratory tract infections in adults: a follow up telephone survey of clinical outcomes and patient response
48. The role of lopinavir/ritonavir in the treatment of SARS: initial virological and clinical findings
49. An audit of microbiological tests in a primary care clinic
50. Prevalence of infections in residential care homes (RCHEs) for the elderly in Hong Kong
51. The usefulness of Procalcitonin as a marker of bacterial infection in the clinical setting: A retrospective review of patients with prolonged fever or leucocytosis in a public hospital
52. Influence of vancomycin MIC on the treatment of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus bloodstream infection
53. Retrospective review of typhoid and paratyphoid fever in a regional hospital
54. Use of fibreoptic bronchoscopy in diagnosing sputum smear-negative pulmonary tuberculosis
55. Retrospective analysis of (1 -- > 3)-ß-D-glucan assay in the diagnosis of invasive fungal infection
56. Pattern of infections and anti-microbial use in systemic lupus erythematosus patients admitted to intensive care unit
57. Streptococcus bovis infection in infants and young children in a regional hospital in Hong Kong
58. Serum C-Reactive Protein Levels and White Cell Count as markers of Bacterial Infection in Elderly
59. Group B streptococcal infection in non-pregnant adults
60. Retrospective analysis of the effect of non-tuberculous mycobacterial infection in patients with bronchiectasis
61. Microbiological pattern in lung cancer patients admitted to a local acute hospital for pneumonia
62. A retrospective review of bacteroides infection in Hong Kong
63. Gastrointestinal muromycosis: a case series
64. Review of CMV Disease in Immunocompetent Patients in a Regional Hospital
65. Factors associated with Positive Blood Culture
66. Infection in lung transplant recipients – A local perspective
67. A Retrospective Review of Diagnosis of Pulmonary Tuberculosis in A Regional Chest Hospital
68. Twelve-year experience with necrotizing fasciitis in the intensive care unit of a local regional hospital
69. A review on the quality of infectious diseases and microbiology pharmaceutical advertisements in Medical Journals in Hong Kong
70. Clinical features and outcome of patients with Imipenem resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa in Hong Kong West Cluster
71. Review of bacterology and antibiotic use in acute cholangitis
72. Stenotrophomonas maltophilia Bacteraemia: impact of appropriate therapy and predictors of mortality
73. Performance of a Fast-track Pathway for Post-chemotherapy Febrile Neutropenia in Patients with Haematological Malignancies in an A&E of a Hong Kong Tertiary Hospital
74. TB meningitis in the elderly
75. Clinical Predictors and Outcomes for Klebsiella pneumoniae Bacteraemia in a Regional Hospital in Hong Kong
76. Risk assessment model for Clostridium Difficile Associated Disease amongst patients hospitalized in beds
77. Seroprevalence of Varicella in university students in Hong Kong - The relationship with self-reported history of Chickenpox
78. Clinical Predictors and Outcomes for Klebsiella pneumoniae Bacteraemia in a Regional Hospital in Hong Kong
IX. USEFUL WEBSITES

1. Postgraduate Diploma Course in Infectious Diseases (e-thesis sample)
   
   http://hub.hku.hk/simple-search?query=degree_name%3APostgraduate%5C+Diploma%5C+in%5C+Infectious%5C+Diseases%26AND+dateIssued%3A%5B*+TO+2015%5D&location=thesis&sort_by=score&order=desc&rpp=25&etal=0&start=25

2. Department of Microbiology
   
   http://www.microbiology.hku.hk

3. HKU Centre of Infection
   
   http://www.hkucoi.hku.hk

4. Graduate School, The University of Hong Kong
   
   http://www.hku.hk/gradsch

   
   http://www.annals.org

6. Medical subject headings from Index Medicus
   

7. Electronic journals
   
   • Emerging infectious diseases. Full text available to all at no charge.
     
     http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/index.html
   
   • Clinical Infectious Diseases. The official journal of Infectious Diseases Society of America
     
     http://www.journals.uchicago.edu/CID

8. PubMed. A free website available to all for Medline search
   
X. TEXTBOOKS


XI. USEFUL CONTACTS

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XII. SUMMARY OF DEADLINES/MILESTONES

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**Important note:** Students who fail to comply with the deadlines for the literature review, project and clinical attachment will get a zero mark (i.e. failure grade) for those components.
Appendix A
Template of Cover Page for Project Dissertation/ Literature Review

Title of Project Dissertation/Literature Review

By

Name of student

This work is submitted to
Faculty of Medicine of The University of Hong Kong
In partial fulfillment of the requirements for
The Postgraduate Diploma in Infectious Diseases, PDipID (HK)
Date: XXX

Supervisor: Name

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Appendix B
Template of Declaration

Declaration

I, your name, declare that this dissertation represents my own work and that it has not been submitted to this or other institution in application for a degree, diploma or any other qualifications.

I, your name also declare that I have read and understand the guideline on “What is plagiarism?” published by The University of Hong Kong (available at http://www.hku.hk/plagiarism/) and that all parts of this work complies with the guideline.

Candidate: ________________________________

Signature: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________
Appendix C

Checklist for Literature Review/ Project Dissertation

Name of PDipID Candidate: Dr._________________________________________
Title of Literature Review/ Project dissertation:

Candidate should check all boxes and submit this checklist, duly completed with his/her project dissertation. Submission is INCOMPLETE unless the work complies with all the list specifications:

- The title of the literature review/ project dissertation is identical to the one previously approved.
- The page and declaration page conforms to the standard format available in this handbook (or at http://hku.hk/hkucoi).
- I have signed and dated the declaration page.
- The manuscript is printed on one side only of size A4 paper.
- The manuscript is divided into sections in the order of the present checklist, title page, statement of declaration, aim, body, text of literature review, conclusion, reference lists, table/figures, appendix of supplementary material (if appropriate).
- Each section begins on a new page.
- Each figure and table that is cited in the test has a number and a title (or legend).
- All pages are double-spaced, numbered, justified on both margins and has a left-handed margin of not less than 40mm.
- Font size is 12 cpi.
- All references are cited in the test, follow Uniform Requirements (http://www.icmje.org/index.html), and have been checked for accuracy and completeness.
- Format for the list of references followed.
- The body text (list of references excluded) meets the word count requirement (not less than 2000 words). The word count is _________
- All units of measure are expressed in SI units.
- One hard copy of the literature review (temporary bound) and a soft copy with the file(s) are included in the submission.

I confirmed the above.

Signature by Candidate: _______________________
Date: _______________________

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