

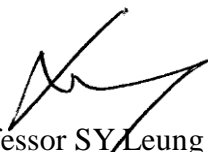
THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
LI KA SHING FACULTY OF MEDICINE

To: Heads of Clinical Departments at the Medical Faculty  
Chiefs of Service at Queen Mary Hospital

**RGC Clinical Research Fellowship Scheme 2017-18**

I refer to the call circular issued by Miss Annie Ngai, Acting Head of the Research Services, dated September 20, 2016 for the RGC GRF/ECS 2017-18 (document 195/916, which can be viewed at <http://intraweb.hku.hk/local/rss/rgc/grf-ecs-call.htm>), and write to draw your attention to its paragraph 13 concerning the captioned Scheme.

2. The Clinical Research Fellowship Scheme aims to provide outstanding young clinicians with opportunities to receive training in clinical research up to a period of 3 years. The award will enable fellows to be relieved from teaching, clinical and administrative duties as far as possible so as to spend 80% of their time on research.
3. The Fellowship application should be accompanied by a GRF research proposal for evaluation. The Fellowship award is conditional upon the GRF proposal being supported by the RGC. The University is invited to submit up to 3 nominations, and one award up to a HK\$1,200,000 per year for a maximum of 3 consecutive years will be made for each of HKU and CUHK annually.
4. The Scheme targets clinicians who are still at the **early stage of their research career**. Clinical staff with an established track record in research may be less likely to receive support in this Scheme. More details can be found in the "Notes for Applicants" [http://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/doc/rgc/form/grf\\_encl2.pdf](http://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/doc/rgc/form/grf_encl2.pdf).
5. I should be grateful if you would encourage qualified **full-time clinical staff** in your Department/School to apply for this Fellowship Scheme. Intending applicants should submit to the Faculty Office (Attn: Ms April Luk) by **Friday, September 30, 2016 a letter of intent summarising the key objectives of the clinical research proposal and research plan during the proposed fellowship period in not more than one A4-page, together with a short c.v. detailing their research experience, research projects undertaken and representative publications related to the proposed project.** The letter of intent should be **endorsed by the nominated mentor and Head/Director of Department/School or Chief of Service concerned.** Shortlisted applicants will be further requested to develop a full proposal using the prescribed application form and submit their draft GRF proposals for internal review.



Professor SY Leung  
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September 26, 2016

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