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Position Statement by The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing

The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing would like to issue a statement in response to the recent discussion of doctor-nurse relationship risen from the verdict issued by the Hong Kong Medical Council.

1. In the contemporary healthcare context, there is a need for inter-disciplinary collaboration. Members, doctors and nurses inclusive, contribute in accordance to their own defined knowledge and skills, have their own professional accountability but bear shared responsibilities for patient management. There is mutual communication and opinion exchange among members to strive for optimal patient recovery and health status.
2. Professional nurses have competence and responsibilities to provide care within their defined scope of services. The Nursing Council of Hong Kong is the statutory body to set and govern nursing standards in the realization of professional autonomy.
3. The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing sets education standards and certifies qualifications for nursing specialties to facilitate the development of competence of advanced practising nurses. In areas of specialty practice, nurses and doctors in the related specialties collaborate even closer to provide holistic and continued care for patients

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