Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board
PRESS RELEASE

Inquiry conducted on Registered TCM Physician

CHEN SUI (陈岁)

Mr Chen Sui (陈岁) (Chen), of Science Arts Co. Pte. Ltd. (科艺私人有限公司) at 150 MacPherson Road, Science Arts Building, Singapore 348524, is a registered TCM physician.

2 A complaint was lodged against Chen by the husband of one of his patients (the “Complainant”) concerning the consultation, diagnosis and treatment of the Complainant’s late wife by Chen in June 2014. The patient’s husband also complained that Chen has represented himself as having the title of “Professor”.

3 An Investigation Committee (“IC”) Inquiry was subsequently convened and found that there is no evidence of any causal link between Chen’s conduct in rendering TCM Treatment in June 2014 and the Patient’s condition when she was admitted to hospital. Chen’s TCM clinical evaluation, examination, diagnosis and treatment of the Patient’s condition during the consultations were acceptable methods of TCM treatment for the patient.

4 The Board found that Chen should not have represented himself as having the title of “Professor”. This is in contravention of clause 4.4.2 of the Ethical Code and Ethical Guidelines for TCM Practitioners, which amounts to a breach of Sections 19(1)(f), 19(1)(i) and/or 19(1)(j) of the TCM Practitioners Act (the “Act”).

5 The Board had in June 2011 written to Chen regarding the improper use of title “Professor”. Chen was therefore aware that he should not be using this title. Hence, the Board decided to impose the following sanctions against Chen pursuant to Section 19(2) of the Act:

(a) impose a financial penalty of S$1,000; and

(b) censure

6 The Board also found that Chen has failed to keep proper medical records of his patient. Chen had admitted to this during the hearing. This is in contravention of paragraph 4.1.2 of the Ethical Code and Ethical Guidelines for TCM Practitioners (“Ethical Code”). The Board has censured Chen for this breach.

7 In addition, pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Act, Chen was ordered to pay part of the costs and expenses of or incidental to the inquiry.

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