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TO: ALL ACCREDITED CPE PROVIDERS

CONDUCTING CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPE) EVENTS VIA ONLINE PLATFORM

Arising from the evolving COVID-19 situation, the DORSCON level was raised from Yellow to Orange on 7 February 2020. Since then, the Singapore Dental Council (Council) noted that several CPE events have been cancelled or postponed. At the same time, some providers have taken good initiative to explore online learning as an alternate platform to conduct their CPE events.

2 Council is pleased to inform that CPE events conducted online are also accredited for CPE points, subject to the fulfilment of the existing submission requirements for event accreditation applications below:

   i. Apply at least one month before the start of the event;

   ii. Submit CV of all speakers and programme outline with time allocation of each activity, including breaks (if any). Please indicate on the programme outline that this is an online CPE event; and

   iii. Must not show any indicative CPE points on programme outline and/or any other publicity materials prior to Council’s approval.

3 CPE Providers are reminded to pre-register and verify the attendance of dental practitioners who participated in their online CPE event and submit the attendance via the Professional Registration System (PRS) within one month after the event.

4 Council would also like to take this opportunity to clarify that there is no CAP to the number of CPE points which dental practitioners can attain under local CPE events (i.e. Category 1B). This means that dental practitioners can fulfil their CPE requirements by solely attending online CPE events. CPE Providers are therefore encouraged to expand their scope of continuing education curriculum and explore online learning (e.g. live streaming or webinar) in addition to face-to-face events.
Council also noted that some CPE Providers are keen to re-telecast recorded lectures and would provide a certificate of participation upon attendance. Providers need not submit an application for event accreditation for such re-telecast recorded lectures after the initial live streaming or webinar of the CPE event has been approved.

If you have further enquiries, please contact Council at SDC@spb.gov.sg.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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