

Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board

PRESS RELEASE

Suspension of Registration of TCM Practitioner

1 **Peh Ya Xiang (白雅鄉)**, of Peh Acupuncture Medical Hall (肛肠骨伤针灸药房) at Blk 342 Jurong East St.31, #02-03 Singapore 600342, a registered TCM physician and registered acupuncturist, was found guilty of the following complaints:

First Complaint:

Peh Ya Xiang was found to have contravened Section 19(1)(i) of the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners' Act (Cap 333A) (the "**Act**") and Clause 4.1.1(e) and Clause 4.1.1(d) of the Ethical Code and Ethical Guidelines ("Ethical Code") in that, inter alia, she had been guilty of professional misconduct in her treatment of piles to a patient.

Second Complaint:

Peh Ya Xiang was found to have contravened Section 19(1)(f) of the Act and Clause 4.1.2 of the Ethical Code as well as Regulation 3 of the TCM Practitioners (Practice, Conduct and Ethics) Regulations in that she had failed to keep proper and accurate records of the treatment she administered to the patient.

Third Complaint:

Peh Ya Xiang was convicted for the offence of possessing for sale two scheduled poisons, lidocaine and prednisolone, without a licence, in contravention of Section 5 of the Poisons Act (Chapter 234).

2 In respect of the First and Third Complaints, Peh Ya Xiang was suspended from practice as a TCM physician and acupuncturist for a period of 3 years with effect from 14 May 2009, pursuant to Section 19(2) of the Act.

3 In respect of the Second Complaint, Peh Ya Xiang was issued a censure and was reminded to take sufficient steps to ensure that proper and accurate records are kept to enable proper after care and service of patients and that all such records shall contain sufficient detail so that any other TCM practitioner would be able to take over the management of a patient when a referral is made.

4 In addition, pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Act, Peh Ya Xiang was ordered to pay costs and expenses of or incidental to the inquiry or investigation conducted by the Investigation Committee and any action taken by the Board, including expenses of the Board's solicitors and the legal assessor.