



Professor Richard Kay, a renowned neurologist and former President of the Hong Kong Neurological Society, passed away peacefully on 15 February 2024.

Professor Kay obtained his Bachelor of Medicine degree from the University of Cambridge and Guy's Hospital Medical School in 1976. He later pursued a doctorate degree in Medicine also from University of Cambridge in 1986. Joining the Faculty of Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong in 1988, Professor Kay dedicated himself to patient care, while also focusing on teaching and research specifically on stroke and evoked potentials.

During his presidency of the Hong Kong Neurological Society from 1990 to 1992, Professor Kay brought the Society with significant growth both in terms of membership and academic activities.

In 1997, jointly with Professor Y.L. Yu, Professor Kay co-edited the book, "20 Years of Neurology in Hong Kong", providing a comprehensive account of the Society's progress from 1973 to 1993.

Professor Kay's substantial publications in many esteemed international journals had established himself a giant in the field. From 2004 to 2010, he served as the Editor-in-Chief of the Hong Kong Medical Journal, during which time the number had reached a record high in manuscript submissions.

In 2010, Professor Kay took the Society to its first "Neurology Exhibition" at the Hong Kong Museum of Medical Sciences. This exhibition aimed to chronicle the evolution of neurology in Hong Kong, spanning from the Society's inception to the present day. It provided students and the general public with an opportunity to gain the insight into the scope and methodologies of this specialized field.

Professor Kay's unwavering professionalism in the field of medicine and his generous dedication to advancing neurology services in Hong Kong would have a profound influence on medical professionals, particularly in the field of neurology.