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Professor the Honorable Joseph Lee Kok-long, SBS, JP, PhD, RN
Chairman
Bills Committee on Pharmacy and Poisons (Amendment) Bill 2014
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
Central, Hong Kong

Dear Professor Lee

Pharmacy and Poisons (Amendment) Bill 2014

On behalf of the Hong Kong Pharmacology Society, I am writing in support of the bill.

Our Society believes that it is essential to maintain good records, which may be written or electronic, of orders of drugs. This would reduce errors in the requisition of drugs and facilitate the tracing of drugs.

We also believe that the Authorized Person overseeing the manufacture of pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong should be a person who has the appropriate training and experience. While this person may or may not be a pharmacist, to ensure the quality of the manufactured drug, the input of a pharmacist is essential.

Although we understand the practical difficulties of having a registered pharmacist on the premises at all times when the store is open, we believe that the presence of a pharmacist is desirable when Part I Poisons are dispensed.

Lastly, we support extending the validity of clinical trial certificates to a maximum of five years, because many trials nowadays are of this duration.

Yours sincerely

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