



**The Hong Kong Cantonese Oral Language Assessment Scale (HKCOLAS)  
Training Workshop**

**20 April 2012 at the University of Hong Kong**

***Registration Form***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms)  
**Institution granting ST status:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Work Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone:** (Office): \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile): \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email (for confirmation):** \_\_\_\_\_

**I wish to obtain** (*please tick*)  both the HKCOLAS<sup>1</sup> and Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test<sup>1</sup> (HKCAT)  
 HKCAT<sup>1</sup> only

<sup>1</sup> Each speech therapist may obtain only ONE set of each of the assessment instruments after attending this one-day workshop.

Registration for the Training Programme is restricted to qualified speech therapists and there are 30 seats. Please attach a copy of the relevant credentials as a qualified speech therapist when submitting the application.

**Deadline for receipt of registration form: 13 April 2012**

(Registration after the deadline and on-site registration will not be accepted.)

**Venue: Room 518, Prince Philip Dental Hospital, University of Hong Kong  
34 Hospital Road, Sai Ying Pun**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration will be handled on a first-come-first-served basis. **Completed registration form and credentials as qualified speech therapist** should be sent to the Division of Speech and Hearing Sciences, University of Hong Kong (Attn: Ms Nic Cheng) **by fax at 2559 0060 or by email at [nicnic18@hku.hk](mailto:nicnic18@hku.hk)**. For enquiries: 28590597 Ms Nic Cheng.

Notes:

- (a) A confirmation note will be sent to you through email by 16 April 2012.
- (b) Please present a copy of the confirmation note at the Registration Counter on the date of training programme.
- (c) Priority will be given to practicing speech therapists from different organizations.
- (d) The purpose of collecting personal information in these forms is for selection, notification of application results, future correspondence, record keeping and compilation of statistics. Completion of all items and submission of all required documents are necessary. Incomplete information will cause delay or even make it impossible for the Department of Health to process the application.

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The University of Hong Kong  
Division of Speech and Hearing Sciences  
Year IV Professional Development

*April 20, 2012 (Fri)*  
*Room 518, Prince Philip Dental Hospital, Hong Kong*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
<b>9.00 – 9.20</b>	Opening	Dr. Catherine Lam Dr. Lesley Yip
<b>9.20 – 9.50</b>	Overview of HKCOLAS	Prof. Benjamin T'sou
<b>9.50 – 10.15</b>	Test design of HKCOLAS	Dr. Carol To
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	Break	
<b>10.30 – 11.15</b>	Administering HKCOLAS & Test of Hong Kong Cantonese Grammar	Mr. Ashley Ng
<b>11.15 – 11.45</b>	Textual Comprehension Test	Ms Yvonne Chan
<b>11.45 – 12.15</b>	Word Definition Test	Ms Yonnie Man
<b>12.15 – 1.15</b>	Lexical-Semantic Relations Test & Expressive Nominal Vocabulary Test	Ms Amy Chan
<b>1.15 – 2.30</b>	Lunch	
<b>2.30 – 3.30</b>	Narrative Test	Dr. Carol To
<b>3.30 – 3.45</b>	Break	
<b>3.45 – 4.30</b>	Nonword Repetition Test & Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test	Ms Pamela Cheung
<b>4.30 – 5.00</b>	Calculating & Interpreting Test Scores	Dr. Carol To

**The Hong Kong Cantonese Oral Language Assessment Scale (HKCOLAS)**  
**&**  
**The Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test (HKCAT)**

HKCOLAS was published by the City University of Hong Kong in March 2006 as the first assessment tool of its kind developed specifically for local speech therapists' use in diagnosing language impairment of Hong Kong Cantonese-speaking pre-primary and primary school children. The instrument has been developed over a period of three and a half years through the pooling of human and fiscal resources of the Child Assessment Service (CAS) of the Department of Health (DH) of the Government of the HKSAR and the Language Information Sciences Research Centre (LISRC) of the City University of Hong Kong (CityU) and on the basis of rigorous research into the language characteristics of Hong Kong children from age 5 to 12. The instrument covers the assessment of children's comprehension and production abilities in lexis, grammar, discourse, and semantics. It has been developed based on current understanding of Cantonese linguistics and language development in children, and in accordance with established practices in test construction.

The Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test will be made available at the same time as HKCOLAS. This is a much improved version of the HKCAT distributed in 2002, and will be useful to qualified speech therapists in diagnosing articulation problems in Hong Kong Cantonese-speakers ranging from children two and a half years in age to adults by referring to the development norms.

**Distribution of HKCOLAS and HKCAT**

Only speech therapists who have attended the training workshop will be eligible to obtain a set of HKCOLAS and HKCAT at no cost, and to be awarded a certificate to administer HKCOLAS. Please complete the attached Registration Form and return it with a copy of the relevant credentials of the intended speech therapist recipient. Each qualified speech therapist may obtain only ONE set of the assessment instruments.