

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

**Training Workshop**

**February 19, 2016 (Friday) at The Hong Kong Institute of Education**

***Registration Form***

**Name: (Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms)** \_\_\_\_\_ (as it appears on HKID card or passport)

**Institution granting ST status:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current work organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone: (Office):** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Mobile):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email (for confirmation):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership no. of the HK Association of Speech Therapists:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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

*Each speech therapist may obtain only ONE set of each of the  
assessment instruments after attending this one-day workshop.*

Attendance of the workshop is restricted to qualified speech therapists who meet the following requirements:

1. Speech therapists who were trained in Hong Kong must hold a bachelor's degree or a master's degree in Speech Therapy.
2. Speech therapists who were trained overseas must be a full member of the Hong Kong Association of Speech Therapists. The applicant should have general linguistic knowledge of Cantonese.
3. The applicant must be a fluent speaker of Cantonese and be able to read and write Chinese.
4. The applicant has not attended any previous HKCOLAS workshop.

Applicants should attach a copy of the relevant credentials as a qualified speech therapist when submitting the application. Seats are limited. Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis.

**Deadline for receipt of registration form: January 25, 2016**

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

**Venue:** Conference Centre, Block E, The Hong Kong Institute of Education (E-P-01)  
(map: [www.ied.edu.hk/web/hkied\\_get\\_to\\_our\\_campus.php](http://www.ied.edu.hk/web/hkied_get_to_our_campus.php))

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

**Completed registration form and credentials as a 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, please call Ms. Nic Cheng at 3917 1565.

Notes: (a) A confirmation note will be sent to you through email by February 15, 2016

(b) Please present a copy of the confirmation note at the Registration Counter on the date of training programme.

(c) 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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Venue: Conference Center, Block E, The Hong Kong Institute of Education (Room E-P-01)

Time	Program	Speakers
9:00-9:30	Registration	
9:30-9:35	Welcoming	Mr Ashley Ng
9:35-10:00	Test Design of HKCOLAS	Dr. Carol To
10:00-10:45	Administering HKCOLAS and Test of Hong Kong Cantonese Grammar	Mr Ashley Ng
10:45-11:00	Break	
11:00-11:30	Textual Comprehension Test	Ms Yvonne Chan
11:30-12:00	Word Definition Test	Ms Yonnie Man
12:00-13:00	Lexical-Semantic Relations Test & Expressive Nominal Vocabulary Test	Ms Amy Chan
13:00-14:30	Lunch	
14:30-15:30	Narrative Test	Dr. Carol To
15:30-15:45	Break	
15:45-16:30	Nonword Repetition Test & Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test	Ms Pamela Cheung
16:30-17:00	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.