

## Knowledge in Action

Community Engagement

## HKU Faculty of Dentistry and Project Concern hold "Love and Clean Teeth Day" in Shatin

21 March 2015

The HKU Faculty of Dentistry held an oral health carnival with Project Concern Hong Kong on Saturday, 21 March 2015, at Shatin Town Hall Plaza, to promote oral health among the Hong Kong public and to mark World Oral Health Day (20 March).

Led by Dr Chun-hung Chu (Clinical Associate Professor in Community and Family Dentistry), a team of 24 Faculty students provided free dental examinations, as well as oral hygiene education and demonstrations, for children and adults throughout the "Love and Clean Teeth Day".



The event also featured a dedication ceremony for a new Project Concern Mobile Dental Vehicle, which joins the charity's fleet of vans that form a roving dental service for disadvantaged groups in the local community. Officiating at the ceremony were Mr Thomas C W Pang (Vice Chairman of the Shatin District Council), Dr Joseph Chan (Chief Dental Consultant of the HKSAR Department of Health), Dr Sigmund S M Leung (President of the Hong Kong Dental Association), Prof Thomas Flemmig (HKU Dean of Dentistry), and Mr Calvin KS Wang (Chairman, Project Concern Hong Kong).

During the past year, the Faculty has been advising and training staff at Project Concern to deliver oral health education and perform preventive dental treatment for children of preschool age, thereby adding to the charity's outreach mobile dental services. This consultancy and a total of four joint Love and Clean Teeth Days are part of an HKU Impact Project that aims to directly apply HKU dental knowledge to society. The project is led by Dr Chun-Chu and supported by the HKU Knowledge Fund hung Exchange 2014-15 (project blogsite: http://bit.ly/17AJsGC).

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Knowledge exchange (KE) at the HKU Faculty of Dentistry (<a href="http://facdent.hku.hk">http://facdent.hku.hk</a>) aims to maintain a two-way dialogue between the Faculty and all sectors of the community. The Faculty's KE strategy, public education, and community activities form part of the Faculty's fourth mission of "engagement". We will be pleased to consider any suggestions or comments, or community/school invitations; please e-mail <a href="mailto:dentke@hku.hk">dentke@hku.hk</a>

