THE HONG KONG COLLEGE OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS

Guideline for

Copyright, Privacy and Acceptance of Commercial Support issue for Saturday Interhospital Meeting

Introduction

Saturday Interhospital Meeting has been an important academic activity now organized by the Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons(HKCOS). It has a history of more than 40 years.

HKCOS started to collect the presentation files of the Saturday Interhospital Meeting since 2000 for education purpose. In early years, the files were compiled into DVDs and distributed to each hospital for the trainees / fellows as a reference. With the popularity of internet, the files were now saved in our College web as the Orthopaedic Grand Round in the Member's area. From February 2020 onwards, due to persistent outbreak of COVID-19, face-to-face Saturday Interhospital Meetings had changed to on-line meetings held via the ZOOM platform. HKCOS has been videotaping the meetings and periodically upload the edited video files to the College web.

Guidelines

HKCOS is fully aware of the issue of patient privacy and copyright. When preparing the PDF / video files, HKCOS is strict in the following points:

- 1. They are for educational purpose only.
- 2. No patient's identity should be revealed in the files.
- The PDF / video files collected are property of HKCOS but the copyright of the presentations is retained by the original authors. All unauthorized use of the collected PDF / video files other than educational purpose is not allowed.

For acceptance of commercial support of Saturday Interhospital Meetings, it is subject to the decision of the host of the specific meeting and must not violate the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance. HKCOS will not release personal information of the meeting participants or the presentation materials to commercial companies.

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