

COVID-19 UPDATES FROM IFPHK

The IFPHK is monitoring closely the COVID-19 pandemic developments and its impact. Learn more about the Institute's arrangements in due course.

The COVID-19 pandemic unfolds at an unprecedented pace and impact in all lives. To be good stewards of the community, the IFPHK takes prime consideration the well-being of our staff, members and stakeholders whilst continuing to provide quality services that reflect our values and mission.

We recommend that members and any interested parties check in this page regularly. Stay safe and take care.

MEMBER SERVICES UPDATES

As with many workplaces in Hong Kong, the IFPHK office is also observing social distancing rules whilst maintaining normal operation hours. Our counter service is in full capacity (from 9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday) to deliver steadfast service and support to our members.

The Institute has established social distancing protocols for external/outside business visitors, please check with your IFPHK contacts of respective departments for meeting arrangements.

EXAMINATION UPDATES

Below are updates on our current plans for the 2020 CFP Certification Examination.

March 2020 CFP Certification Examination (Foundation Level and Level 1)

In view of the raging situation of the pandemic in March, the March 2020 Examination for CFP Certification (Foundation Level and Level 1) has been cancelled. Registrants have been contacted and provided with options either cancelling application and receiving a refund of the fees paid, or transferring their entries to the June 2020 examination session.

June 2020 CFP Certification Examination (Foundation Level, Level 1 and Level 2)

At this moment, the June 2020 exam will continue but the Institute will monitor closely on the pandemic and recommendations of the HKSAR government to safeguard our candidates and staff. Application is currently open with a closing date of 11 May, 2020. The exam will take place on 13 June, 2020 (Saturday).

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September and December 2020 Certification Examination (Foundation Level, Level 1 and Level 2) Currently, there are no changes to the September and December examination of CFP Certification Examination (Foundation Level, Level 1 and Level 2). Examination dates and application details will be announced at a later stage.

The IFPHK will communicate directly with registrants for any changes. Should you have ongoing questions related to the examination during this period, please email us at <u>exam@ifphk.org</u>.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UPDATES

In an effort to contain the pandemic and address training needs of the industry, the IFPHK will be offering CE programs via the online platform "ZOOM" for the time being. Continuing education credits earned from online platform applies in the same way as face-to-face programs.

Find the latest CE program offered at <u>http://www.ifphk.org/CEP/ce-calendar</u>.

EDUCATION UPDATES

For student members, please check with the approved education provider to understand any impacts from the pandemic.

Find the latest class schedule at <u>http://info.ifphk.org/ep-schedule/EP.aspx</u>.

EVENT UPDATES

After thorough consultation regarding the safety of our stakeholders, the IFPHK has made a difficult decision to cancel the annual "Financial Planning Conference" and the "Financial Education Leadership Awards" this year.

The IFPHK is working diligently on other options to engage with our members and partners. Please rest assured that stakeholder connection remains our top priority and the IFPHK will cultivate in that by all means.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

IFPHK Chairman Mr. Steve Chiu has some warm words of encouragement for members and also addresses on the Institute's measures and efforts against the pandemic. View the video <u>here</u>.

