



Burnout?

Burnout is a syndrome conceptualised as resulting from chronic workplace stress that has not been successfully managed, as defined by the WHO¹.



Having symptoms of burnout?

Some examples include²:

- ⇒ reduced effectiveness and productivity
- ⇒ cynicism
- ⇒ absenteeism, presenteeism, workaholism
- ⇒ lacking motivation
- ⇒ heightened levels of frustration, negativity
- ⇒ unable to see anything positive or be creative
- ⇒ lack of emotion / becoming dispassionate
- ⇒ disengaged
- ⇒ feelings of hopelessness and helplessness
- \Rightarrow possible dual diagnosis of depression

What to do with burnout?



visit the Academy's designated webpage for useful self-care tips



approach a group of Peer Supporters trained by the Academy for informal dialogue

Fostering a caring and supportive culture among healthcare professionals



Burnout is highly prevalent among young doctors, as revealed in the "Burnout and well-being in young doctors in Hong Kong: a territory-wide cross-sectional survey" conducted by the Academy's Young Fellows Chapter in 2019.



Take the Copenhagen Burnout Inventory questionnaire to know more about the levels of burnout



well-being.hkam.org.hk/cbi/

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an approach to manage stress and avoid burnout

Promoting doctors' well-being

Ensuring quality patient care

