HIGHLIGHTS From the Honorary Secretary

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Joint AMS-CFPS-SMA statement on MOH workgroup recommendations

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS), College of Family Physicians Singapore (CFPS) and the SMA issued a joint statement on 3 December 2019, in response to the recommendations of the Ministry of Health (MOH) Workgroup to Review the Taking of Informed Consent and the Singapore Medical Council's (SMC) Disciplinary Process.

Details of the Workgroup report can be found here: http://bit.ly/34jp8Hm.

To protect the interests of the public and confidence in the healthcare system, the three professional bodies maintain that self-regulation of the medical profession by the SMC remains the best way forward. Therefore, our hope is that these recommendations will build up the competencies of the SMC and improve its processes.

The joint statement can be found here: http://bit.ly/SMAstatements, under the "Complaints and Disciplinary processes" category.

Re-appointment of SMJ Editor-In-Chief

A/Prof Poh Kian Keong has been re-appointed as Editor-in-Chief of the Singapore Medical Journal (SMJ) for another term, for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2021. The SMA Council thanks A/Prof Poh for his contributions and looks forward to working with him to improve the quality and impact of SMJ. \blacklozenge

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