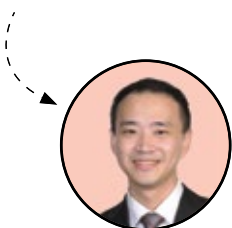


# HIGHLIGHTS

## FROM THE HONORARY SECRETARY

Report by Dr Daniel Lee

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### 2017 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Do mark your calendar for SMA's upcoming AGM. The details are below.

**Date:** 9 April 2017, Sunday

**Time:** 2 pm to 4 pm (Buffet lunch served from 1 pm onwards)

**Venue:** Alumni Auditorium  
Level 2, Alumni Medical Centre  
2 College Road  
Singapore 169850

Please send an email to [szeyong@sma.org.sg](mailto:szeyong@sma.org.sg) if you wish to

1. Confirm your attendance (for both the AGM and lunch);
2. Submit resolutions and/or proposed constitution amendments;
3. Submit nominations to fill the ten vacancies in the next SMA Council.

All completed forms should reach us by 12 noon on 1 March 2017.

### Recent indemnity discussions

SMA was informed of a change in the medical indemnity provider for public sector hospitals. In the interest of our members, we met up with representatives from Jardine Lloyd Thompson Group and Medical Protection Society on various occasions to assist during this time of transition, as well as to seek clarification on questions that were raised to us by concerned SMA Members.

### Clinic Assistant Train and Place Programme

SMA has developed a Clinic Assistant Train and Place Programme, with the support of the Employment and Employability Institute, to train predominantly unemployed members of the public who are interested in working in healthcare clinics. We hope to place these SMA-trained clinic assistants in the clinics of SMA Members who are hiring. Course participants who complete the course will receive the Certificate of Completion for the SMA Clinic Assistant Introductory Skills Course.

After two runs, each in November 2016 and January 2017, we have trained more than 40 candidates for the vacancies put up by SMA Members on our online platform at <https://www.sma.org.sg/trainandplace>.

SMA members can contact [membership@sma.org.sg](mailto:membership@sma.org.sg) for more details on how to gain access to these trained candidates for job interviews and job offers.

### Visit by Canadian Medical Association President

On 5 January 2017, SMA received a courtesy call by Dr Granger Avery, President of the Canadian Medical Association. Dr Avery met with Dr Wong Tien Hua, President of SMA, and discussed various issues relating to healthcare policies, ethics and professionalism. ♦