

HIGHLIGHTS

From the Honorary Secretary

Report by Dr Ng Chew Lip

Dr Ng is an ENT consultant in public service. After a day of doctoring and cajoling the kids at home to finish their food, his idea of relaxation is watching a drama serial with his lovely wife and occasionally throwing some paint on a canvas.



Support for doctors facing disciplinary proceedings

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore, College of Family Physicians Singapore, and SMA have jointly established a support programme for doctors who face disciplinary proceedings, with effect from 1 June 2022. This programme is open to all registered doctors in Singapore and not only to each professional body's members.

When a doctor receives notice from the Singapore Medical Council (SMC) that a complaint has been lodged against him/her, information about the support programme and how to contact the staff in the professional bodies to engage this support will also be provided. The professional bodies will jointly match the requesting doctor with a volunteer support doctor to advise on SMC's disciplinary processes and to address any anxieties on his/her part.

The role of the volunteer support doctor is to support, reassure and provide information on the disciplinary process. The support doctor does not provide advice specific to the requesting doctor's case. The support doctor also does not provide legal or psychiatric advice, which are addressed by the requesting doctor's solicitors and other trained professionals.

SMACF launches new website

SMA Charity Fund (SMACF) is pleased to announce the launch of its new website at <https://www.smacf.org.sg> with effect from 4 July 2022.

This website has finally come to fruition, aided by the funding support from the National Council of Social Service (NCSS) Tech-and-Go Funding.

With our migration to an independent website, we will now be able to embark on the next phase of promoting SMACF to the public and improving access for our donors and beneficiaries.

Some of the features now available on our new website include:

1. Donors can donate directly through our website's donation portal, using their credit card or through PayNow.
2. Bursary applications continue to be available online on our new website with enhanced processes to maximise convenience for bursary applicants and SMACF staff.
3. A new E-Shop portal for possible sales of future SMACF limited edition souvenir items.

You can scan the QR code below to visit the new SMACF website! ◆

