

HIGHLIGHTS

From the Honorary Secretary

Report by Clinical Asst
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Dr Loo is a paediatrician in public service with special interest in sport and exercise medicine. He serves to see the smiles on every child and athlete, and he looks forward to the company of his wife and children at the end of every day.



Closed-door meeting with MOH on health regulation

Several SMA Council members met with Ministry of Health (MOH) officials on 29 October 2024 for a closed-door virtual meeting, together with representatives from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS), and College of Family Physicians Singapore.

During the meeting, various aspects of health regulation were briefed and discussed. SMA looks forward to continued dialogue with MOH in future.

Appointment of *SMJ* editor-in-chief

The SMA Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Prof Ang Tiing Leong as editor-in-chief (EIC) of *Singapore Medical Journal (SMJ)* from 1 January 2025.

Prof Ang joined the *SMJ* editorial board in 2008 and went on to serve as deputy editor from 2014 to 2023 and EIC-designate in 2024. He is a senior consultant at the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Changi General Hospital and adjunct professor at Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore. He also served as chair of the Chapter of Gastroenterology, AMS from 2017 to 2021 and sits on the current council of AMS.

We wish to extend our deepest appreciation to Prof Poh Kian Keong, who steps down from the *SMJ* editorship on 31 December 2024. His bold leadership and clear vision in the past decade have been instrumental in *SMJ*'s achievement of numerous key milestones.

The SMA Council is confident that *SMJ* will continue to thrive and make great strides under the leadership of Prof Ang Tiing Leong. ◆