

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.



2025 SMA Annual General Meeting

Please see below for details of SMA's upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM). Members can attend in person or via Zoom.

- Date: 27 April 2025, Sunday
- Time: 2 pm to 4 pm
- Venue: SMA Office or Zoom
166 Bukit Merah Central
#04-3531
Singapore 150166

Please send an email to szeyong@sma.org.sg if you wish to:

1. Confirm your attendance (please indicate if you are attending in person or via Zoom, and provide your MCR number and full name as it appears in the Singapore Medical Council register);
2. Submit resolutions and/or proposed constitution amendments; or
3. Submit nominations to fill the ten vacancies in the SMA Council.

Members who wish to move any resolution or raise amendments to the Constitution and Rules at the AGM are to give notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary by 12 pm on 28 March 2025, in accordance with SMA Constitution Article XI, Section 1, Sub-Section (iii) and Article XII, Section 2, respectively.

Members are invited to submit nominations of candidates to fill the ten vacancies in the Council, in accordance with Article VIII, Section 3a of the SMA Constitution.

Nominations must be signed by two Ordinary/Life/Spouse Members and contain a consent to act, if elected, signed by the person nominated.

All completed forms should reach us by 12 pm on 28 March 2025.

Introducing SMJ Editorial Fellowship 2025

As a commitment to nurturing early clinician researchers, the *Singapore Medical Journal (SMJ)* is pleased to launch the SMJ Editorial Fellowship on 1 January 2025. The one-year programme will provide an opportunity for qualified candidates to receive coaching from experienced mentors on reviewing manuscripts, as well as peer review and editorial processes.

Application for the Fellowship started on 7 October 2024 and closed on 15 November 2024. The selection committee comprised the Editor-in-Chief, Deputy Editors and two Specialty Editors from the Editorial Board.

We are pleased to announce the following candidates for the SMJ Editorial Fellowship:

- Dr Fong Jie Ming Nigel, Associate Consultant, Renal Medicine, Sengkang General Hospital
- Dr Lee Yuanming Alvin, Associate Consultant, Urology, Singapore General Hospital
- Dr Aloysius Leow Sheng Ting, Resident, Internal Medicine, National University Health System (NUHS)
- Dr Jack Yu-Tung Lo, Senior Resident, Neurosurgery, NUHS
- Dr Luo Yang Caleb, Resident, Family Medicine, National Healthcare Group
- Dr Zhang Anyi Audrey, Resident, Internal Medicine, NUHS

SMA presentation at SDEC 2024

As part of the SingHealth Duke-NUS Education Conference (SDEC) in September 2024, SMA was invited to speak at a symposium titled "Flourishing, Not Just Surviving: Enhancing Junior Doctor Wellbeing".

Our presentation on "Building a Better Workplace for Junior Doctors" covered the multifaceted challenges junior doctors face in delivering patient care in our modern, high volume, complex healthcare system. Barriers such as suboptimal HR and information technology practices were highlighted, as well as the need for SMA to continue partnering health authorities and healthcare institutions to address these matters.

We espoused the importance of facilitating the transition for junior doctors between rotations and to the next phase of their career, and empowering them to take on evolving roles as patient advocates, health educators and stewards of the public healthcare system.

To find out more about or get involved with the SMA Doctors-in-Training Committee and its efforts, please email ilj@sma.org.sg. ♦