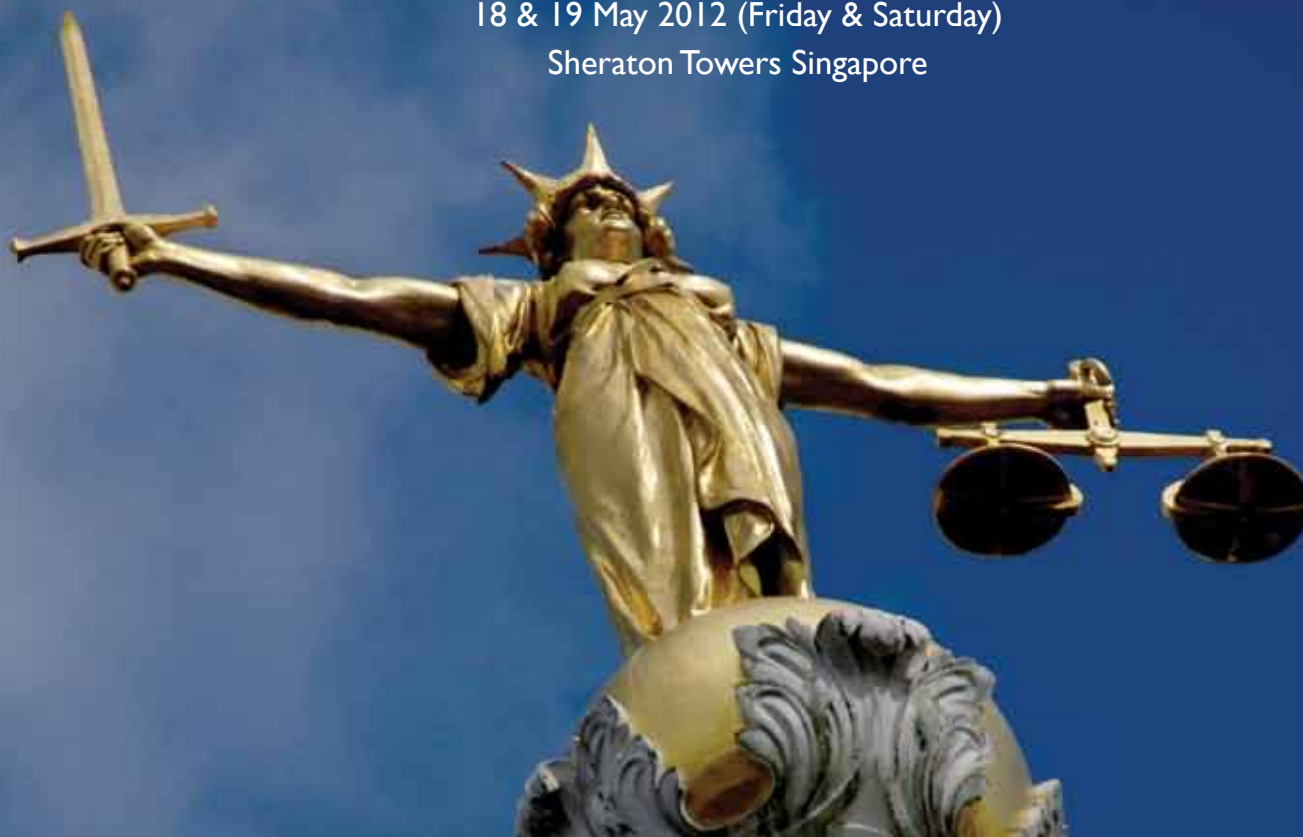


MPS-SMA Medical Experts Training Course

18 & 19 May 2012 (Friday & Saturday)
Sheraton Towers Singapore



Medical expert witnesses

The evidence in a medical expert report and testimony offered by a medical expert witness during examination are often critical components in arriving at an equitable and fair decision in any dispute.

An expert witness possesses in depth knowledge of a subject that enables him or her to give opinions and draw conclusions relevant to the case, so as to impartially and objectively assist the court or tribunal in its work. The expert witness is expected to articulate the standard of care in medical negligence, the standard of professional conduct in disciplinary tribunals, and present opinions that are supported by strong arguments and evidence.

To serve the course of justice effectively, a medical expert should be familiar with the principles of medical negligence, litigation, and the judicial system. With the rising expectations of the public and patients on the performance and behaviour of doctors, it is timely that competent and skilled medical expert witnesses are available for the benefit of patients, the public and the profession.

About the course

The purpose of the training session is to highlight the duties and responsibilities of doctors who wish to act as medical experts in medical negligence claims.

Over the course of two days, topics like the legal principles underpinning clinical negligence claims, the litigation process in Singapore, the role of the expert, and what makes a good report, will be covered.

You will also have the chance to find out more about appearing in court and courtroom skills, as well as hear from experienced experts about the problems and challenges of being an expert. **SMA**

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Date: 18 & 19 May 2012 (Friday & Saturday)

Time: 8 am - 5.30 pm (18 May), 8 am - 1.30 pm (19 May)

Venue: Sheraton Towers Singapore

Registration fees: To be confirmed

Number of CME points: Pending approval from SMC

To indicate interest in attending this course, please refer to the information below.

PROGRAMME

Topics to be covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the Singapore Legal System • Introduction to Health Law • The Elements of Medical Negligence • Understanding the Litigation Process in Singapore • The Professional and Legal Aspects of Informed Consent • The Role of Medical Experts • The Instructions and Writing of an Expert Report • Analysis of Expert Medical Reports – the Good, Bad and Ugly (Group Discussion) • Claim Handling Ethics • Understanding the Medical Registration Act and the SMC Disciplinary Process • Appearance as an Expert Witness in SMC • Appearance in Court and Courtroom Skills • The Medical Expert's Perspective • Live in Court • Panel Discussion and Q & A
Faculty	To be confirmed



Indication of Interest

If you wish to indicate your interest to attend, please complete the form and mail/fax it to **Ms Loy Mong Shi, Singapore Medical Association, Level 2, Alumni Medical Centre, 2 College Road, Singapore 169850. Fax: 6224 7827.** Alternatively, you may wish to email the following details to mongshi@sma.org.sg. We will contact you once all the details are confirmed and we are able to accept registrations.

Name: _____ MCR No.: _____

Email: _____

Handphone No.: _____ Year of Graduation.: _____

Please tick the following accordingly:

A. SMA member: Yes No

B. MPS member: Yes No

C. AMS member: Yes No

D. CFPS member: Yes No

E. General practitioner Specialist (Specialty: _____)

F. I am committed to being an expert witness in my specialty after the training: Yes No