



SMA Conference: Professional Accountability & Professional Misconduct

Date: 23 & 24 November 2012, Friday & Saturday
Venue: Sheraton Towers Singapore

This SMA Conference will bring together local healthcare professionals (doctors, nurses, dentists and Traditional Chinese Medicine physicians) with our international colleagues from Malaysia, Hong Kong and Australia, as well as legal and medical indemnity experts, to examine and understand the concepts, issues and challenges of professional accountability and professional misconduct.

The conference and training workshop are open to all doctors and healthcare professionals!

* CME, CPE and CNE points are pending approval

Day 1 – Conference Programme (23 November, Friday) Ballroom 1 & 2, Level 2

8.30 am	Registration
9 am	Opening Address <i>A/Prof Chin Jing Jih, President, Singapore Medical Association</i>
9.15 am	Keynote Address: The SMC and Professional Misconduct – Is the Sword Mightier Than the Pen? <i>• Prof Tan Siang Yong, Emeritus Professor of Medicine, University of Hawaii</i>
Symposium 1: System of Professional Accountability, Disciplinary Process and Concepts of Professional Misconduct in Singapore and Other Countries	
10.30 am	Perspective from Singapore <i>• A/Prof Chin Jing Jih, President, Singapore Medical Association</i>
10.55 am	Perspective from Malaysia <i>• Dr T Krishnamurthy, Ethics Committee Member, Malaysian Medical Association</i>
11.20 am	Perspective from Hong Kong <i>• Dr Tse Hung Hing, President, Hong Kong Medical Association</i>
11.45 am	Perspective from Australia <i>• Speaker to be announced</i>
12.10 pm	Panel Discussion
12.30 pm	Lunch
Symposium 2: Professional Accountability and Professional Misconduct – The Different Perspectives	
1.30 pm	The Legal Perspective <i>• Mr Edmund J Kronenburg, Managing Partner, Braddell Brothers LLP</i>
2 pm	The Legal Perspective <i>• Mr Edwin Tong, Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP</i>
2.30 pm	The Medical Indemnifier's Perspective <i>• Dr Teoh Ming Keng, Head of Medical Services (Asia), Medical Protection Society</i>
3 pm	Panel Discussion
Symposium 3: Professional Misconduct in Other Professions	
3.30 pm	Experience from the Dental Profession <i>• Dr Asha Karunakaran, Senior Mediator for Ethics & Practice Management Committee, Singapore Dental Association</i>
4 pm	Experience from the Nursing Profession <i>• Ms Karen Perera, Singapore Nurses Association</i>
4.30 pm	Experience from the Traditional Chinese Medicine Profession <i>• Speaker to be announced</i>
5 pm	End of Conference

The training workshop on Day 2 is aimed at healthcare professionals sitting in judgement of professional colleagues. **The targeted audience includes: medical professionals sitting on disciplinary tribunals, hospital inquiry panels and complaint committees, Heads of Departments, and administrators in hospital management.**

The workshop will help participants acquire methodology, frameworks and skills, based on real and typical cases, for ethical reasoning and judgment. In addition, it will impart the knowledge and application of the underlying legal concepts and principles of conducting a disciplinary inquiry. The workshop will definitely be practical and useful for those tasked with the serious job of sitting in judgement of fellow healthcare professionals accused of professional misconduct.

Day 2 – Training Workshop Programme (24 November, Saturday) Turquoise Room, Level 3		
8.30 am	Introduction	Highlights of this workshop: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ample usage of MCQs to emphasise salient learning points • Use of small groups for greater participation in mock case analysis covering confidentiality, consent and fees • Review of other issues of professional misconduct, including sexual misconduct, negligence, unorthodox treatment, dishonesty, fraud and other professional issues • Discussion of actual Singapore Medical Council cases that were appealed at the Court of Three Judges • Faculty of lawyers, ethicists and doctors who will share their collective knowledge • All participants will receive a workshop compilation of useful statutory, case and lecture materials for future reference
8.40 am	Review of Concepts of Healthcare (Medical) Professionalism	
9 am	Legal Aspects of Disciplinary Tribunals/Enquiries	
9.40 am	Framework for Ethical Analysis of Professional Misconduct Cases	
10.20 am	Question & Answer	
10.30 am	Tea Break	
10.45 am	Analysis of Professional Misconduct Cases (Group Discussion)	
12.15 pm	Understanding Conflict of Interest: It's All around Us	
12.45 pm	Lunch	
1.30 pm	Case Analysis (Using MCQ-Style Format and Group Discussions)	
3.30 pm	Tea Break	
3.45 pm	Legal and Professional Duties of Disciplinary Tribunal Members	
4.25 pm	Question & Answer	
4.50 pm	Conclusion & Summary	
5 pm	End of Training Workshop	
Teaching Faculty: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Edmund J Kronenburg <i>Managing Partner, Braddell Brothers LLP</i> • Prof Tan Slang Yong <i>Emeritus Professor of Medicine, University of Hawaii</i> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr T Thirumoorthy <i>Executive Director, Centre for Medical Ethics & Professionalism, Singapore Medical Association</i> • Mr Eric Tin <i>Partner, Donaldson & Burkinshaw LLP</i> • CMEP Board Members

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