



### Message from the Chair



Dear fellow Family Physicians,

I am pleased to present you with our third issue of *Family Times*. Some updates as follow:

- Our inaugural FM ACP Town Hall took place on 28 Aug, where an overview of the healthcare challenges and how FM (ACP) could play a part was shared. There were also updates from our four domain leads and attendees had conversations with our leaders via the Q&A session.
- We reached another milestone with the production of our very first *FM ACP book: Making A Difference...* in July. Believe you have received a print copy and gained a better understanding of what we do. Do give recognition to the great work we have done so far.
- Ruth, our Vice Chair for Education, has been officially appointed as Assistant Dean for FM with DukeNUS from 1 Jun 2018. This is timely and underscores the importance that the School places in FM as it undergoes a major curriculum revamp.



### Awards

Heartiest congratulations to the following award winners!



**BVH, KKH, SGH, SHP**

Singapore Health Quality Service Awards 2018 - Silver and Gold Awards (48 clinician recipients)



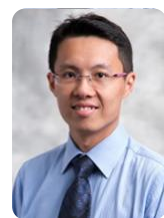
**Dr Christopher Chang**  
CGH CHI

College Teachers' Award 2018 from College of Family Physicians Singapore (CFPS)



**SHS (SGH FMCC),**  
IHIS, MOH, AIC, NHG, NUHS

National Health IT Excellence Awards 2018 (Category A – IT Excellence: Beyond Hospital to Community)



**Dr Low Lian Leng**  
SGH FMCC

1. Young Alumnus of the Year 2018 from NUS Medicine
2. College Teachers' Award 2018 from CFPS
3. Best Clinical Case Presentation (Group) at HKPCC 2018



Eugene Quek, Winnie Seah, Winnie Ong, A/Prof Tan Ngiap Chuan  
FM ACP

*Merit award (operations category) for poster at Singapore Healthcare Management Congress 2018*

Dr Ian Phoon, NC Ang Kim Wai, NC Lee Hwee Khim, NC Lian Lay Geok, Ms Teo Hui Ling  
SHP

*SingHealth Target Zero Harm 2018 Team Award*

Dr Andrew Ang  
SHP-Pasir Ris

*Outstanding Faculty Award at Residency in SingHealth Excels (RiSE) Awards 2018*

Dr Cheng Duo-Ying  
SHP-Sengkang

*Outstanding Faculty Award at RiSE Awards 2018*



Dr Guo Xiaoxuan  
SHP-Punggol

*Outstanding Faculty Award at RiSE Awards 2018*



Dr Hu Pei Lin  
SHP-Bedok

*Best Oral Presentation at HKPCC 2018*



Dr Navpreet Kaur  
SHP-Marine Parade

*SingHealth Target Zero Harm 2018 Individual Award*



Dr Agnes Koong  
SHP-Marine Parade

*Best Clinical Case Presentation (Group) at HKPCC 2018*



Dr David Koot  
SHP-Tampines

*College Teachers' Award 2018 from CFPS*



Dr Charmaine Kwan  
SHP-Tampines

*Outstanding Faculty Award at RiSE Awards 2018*



Dr Joanne Quah  
SHP-Education

*Outstanding Faculty Award at RiSE Awards 2018*



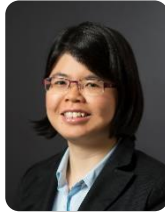
A/Prof Tan Ngiap Chuan  
SHP-Research

*1. Best Clinical Case Presentation (Group) at HKPCC 2018  
2. Best Poster (Health Services & Systems Research Category) at SingHealth Duke-NUS Scientific Congress 2018*



**Dr Sinead Wang**  
SHP-Outram

*College Teachers' Award  
2018 from CFPS*



**Dr Wong Wei Teen**  
SHP-Outram

*Outstanding Faculty  
Award at RiSE Awards  
2018*



**Dr Zheng Lifeng**  
SHP-Bedok

*Best Clinical Case  
Presentation (Group) &  
Bronze Award for Poster  
Presentation at HKPCC  
2018*



**Dr Farhad F. Vasanwala**  
SKH FM

*Distinguished Educators'  
Award 2018 from CFPS*



**Dr Cheng Ke Yi, Dr Choo  
Han Jun, Ms Tan Jie  
Wei, Ms Tang May Lin,  
Ms Wong Sin Yie**  
SHP-Sengkang

*Quality Improvement  
Project Award at RiSE  
Awards 2018*



**Dr Valerie Chan**  
FM Residency (AY17 R3)

*Outstanding Resident  
Award at RiSE Awards  
2018*



**Dr Tan Mui Suan**  
FM Residency (AY17 R2)

*Outstanding Resident  
Award at RiSE Awards  
2018*



**Dr Teo Chiang Wen**  
FM Residency (AY17 R1)

*Outstanding Resident  
Award at RiSE Awards  
2018*



**Dr Dypti Lulla**  
FM Residency (AY17 R1)

*Inspiring Resident  
Educator Award at RiSE  
Awards 2018*

## Funding Opportunities – FM ACP Research Seed Grant

The FM ACP Research Seed Grant aims:

- To support research projects of a lower funding quantum
- To serve as a stepping stone for faculty to generate preliminary data to apply for cluster/national competitive research grants

### Eligibility

- FM ACP faculty (associate consultants and above) and FM fellowship trainees in BVH, CGH, KKH, SGH, SHP, SKCH and SKH
- Project should be relevant to FM ACP's signature research programmes (SRPs)

### Application

- Open throughout the year till 31 Aug 2019 and submissions will go through a review panel
- Multiple applications can be submitted but each Principal Investigator (PI) will be awarded with only one project

### Award

S\$10,000 per project for 1 year

You may refer to our [FM ACP website](#) for more information and the application form.

## Past Events

### FM ACP Town Hall 2018 on 28 Aug

Close to 70 attendees turned up for FM ACP's maiden Town Hall.



In view of Teacher's Day on 31 Aug, tokens of appreciation were presented to each FM institution to recognise their contributions in educating the next generation of healthcare professionals.



### FM Extravaganza 2018 on 24 Aug

An annual outreach organized by Joint Committee of Family Medicine Singapore (JCFMS) for those who are considering FM as a career, in particular, students from the three local medical schools. Adj. A/Prof Tan Ngiap Chuan and FM Residency were respectively invited as a speaker and panelists for the event. After the talks, the attendees had an opportunity to learn more about FM Residency and the research programmes in FM ACP at the booth.



### Hosting of WONCA President Prof Amanda Howe on 4 Aug

FM ACP hosted WONCA President Prof Amanda Howe over a breakfast meeting and showed her around Outram Polyclinic on 4 Aug. That same afternoon, she held a forum in Duke-NUS, alongside Dr Elaine Tan, Director of Primary & Community Care Division, MOH. This was followed by Q&A and panel discussion.



### FM ACP Retreat 2018 on 21 July

An education-focused session for FM ACP's second retreat, where Prof Ian Curran, Vice Dean of Education in Duke-NUS was invited as a guest speaker. Undergraduate FM teaching in the three local medical schools and professional development opportunities for FPs were shared.



### Inaugural Asia-Pacific Academic Primary Care Group (AAPCG) meeting and 8<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Primary Care Conference (HKPCC) 2018 from 21-25 Jun

5 representatives from FM ACP attended the first AAPCG meeting in June 2018. The group is a voluntary collaborative partnership among FM departments of universities in the Asia Pacific region and was inaugurated at the 6<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Primary Care Research Conference. It aims to build synergy and collaboration in academic primary care in the region.

Following that, the FM ACP delegation attended the 8<sup>th</sup> HKPCC, where they bagged the best clinical case presentation, best oral presentation and bronze award for poster presentation. They also had an opportunity to visit a public Community Health Centre at Tsan Yuk Hospital post-conference to learn about its operating model and services.



### World Family Doctor Day (WFDD) Dinner 2018 on 19 May

A yearly affair organized by CFPS to celebrate the good work of family doctors.



### Upcoming Event



Family Medicine Research and Innovation (FAMARI) Day 2019  
23 Feb 2019, Saturday  
8.30am – 5.30pm (lunch and tea breaks provided)  
Sands Expo and Convention Centre

*"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."*

~Helen Keller