

Editor's Note

Time of Change

There are a few significant changes to this issue of the MFP.

Firstly, Professor Teng Cheong Lieng, our long-serving Editor in Chief (2006-2012) has stepped down. He has pushed this journal to where it is today and his achievement is remarkable: The MFP journal is now indexed with many databases including Scopus; the number and quality of submissions have risen over the years; he is also recognised as a leading editor in Malaysia and the region. Teng will continue to sit on the Editorial Board and contribute to the growth of this journal.

Secondly, the MFP is ready to soar to the next era. Despite competition from other higher impact journals, the MFP journal has seen a significant rise in the quantity and quality of the submissions. The journal has become the recognised platform for family physicians and specialists, both local and regional, to share their research findings and clinical expertise. The next leap for MFP journal is to join the world of PubMed and ISI. The editorial team will work hard over the next few years to achieve this.

Thirdly, you may have noticed a facelift to the MFP. We have engaged a new management team who has helped to improve the image and efficiency of the journal. I hope you find the new look more reader-friendly. Early next year, we are introducing the electronic journal management system and this promises a more expeditions submission, reviewing and decision-making process.

Finally, as the new Editor of the MFP journal, I would like to reiterate that MFP is YOUR journal and the articles published in this issue reflect just that. We have original articles covering both communicable and non-communicable diseases which are commonly encountered in general practice. The case reports include common and uncommon dermatological, haematological, obstetrics and ENT conditions. I hope these articles will help you in patient care and stimulate you to think and reflect. We welcome all of you to write in to the Journal and tell us what you would like to read in the MFP: journal.mfp@gmail.com

Wishing all of you a happy and fruitful 2013!

Best wishes,

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