The 46th Mid-term Council Meeting of the CMAAO

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This issue of the JMAJ features the 46th Mid-term Council Meeting of the Confederation of Medical Associations in Asia and Oceania (CMAAO) held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from September 16 to 18, 2010. It provides a brief summary of the meeting, program, the CMAAO contact list, the Sampran Declaration on Tobacco Control in Asia and Oceania Region, CMAAO Declaration on Drug Prescription, Country Reports (the annual activity reports by national medical associations, NMAs) and the Symposium presentations on the theme of task shifting and medical profession.



BRIEF SUMMARY

Of the 18 CMAAO member NMAs, over 40 representatives from 12 NMAs attended the Mid-term Council Meeting. Mr. Shinichi Murata, who was nominated as the CMAAO Legal Advisor by the Japan Medical Association, was officially appointed to assume the office by the CMAAO Council.

With the upcoming General Assembly of the World Medical Association (WMA) in October 2010, Dr. Tai Joon Moon (Korea) made a presentation on WMA policies on drug prescription. CMAAO member countries reaffirmed that the prescribing of medicine has great significance in patients' safety and the patient-physician relationship, and thereby the right to prescribe medicine must be solely the responsibility of the physician. The emergency Resolution on Drug Prescription was signed by all the participating CMAAO Council members and officers, and sent to Dr. Otmar Kloiber, Secretary General of the WMA on September 18.

The Council also deliberated the several drafts of CMAAO policies, among which the Sampran Declaration on Tobacco Control in Asia and Oceania Region was adopted by the CMAAO Council.

Constitution and Bylaws of the CMAAO are currently undergoing revision in the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, including a proposal for a major change aimed at enabling decisions to be adopted more quickly that Mid-term Council Meetings be abolished and Congresses held every year instead. Dr. Bertha Woon Yng Yng (Singapore) reported work progress of the committee and made proposals for the revision.

The Council approved recommendations for future meetings that the 27th CMAAO Congress not be held before the WMA General Assembly but in November 10–12 in Taipei, Taiwan, linked to the Physician's Day in Taiwan on November 12, and that the 48th Mid-term Council Meeting in 2012 be held in Macao. In view of the importance of the task shifting issue, the ad-hoc committee on task shifting was established and Dr. Dong Chun Shin (Korea) was appointed as the Committee Chair. The first seminar for the committee members is planned to be held in Tokyo, Japan in March 2011.

PROGRAM

DAY 1: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

- 18:30 Arrival of the International Guests and Registration
- 19:00 Welcome Reception at Le Meridien Hotel: Hosted by the Malaysian Medical Association

DAY 2: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010

- 08:00 Registration
- 09:00 Call to Order: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas, Chair Roll Call: Dr. Masami Ishii, Secretary General Opening Remarks: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas

Welcome Address: Dr. David K.L. Quek, President of the Malaysian Medical Association Approval of the Minutes of the 26th CMAAO Congress and the 45th CMAAO Council Meeting

Held in Indonesia, November 2009: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas

Report of the President: Dr. Fachmi Idris

Report of the Secretary-General: Dr. Masami Ishii Financial Report of the Treasurer: Dr. Alvin Chan

Future Meetings

- i) Briefing of the 27th CMAAO Congress in Taiwan: Taiwan Medical Association
- ii) Future Meetings

Membership Applications (if any): Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas

Any Other Business

- 10:30 Group Photo and Coffee Break
- 11:00 Country Reports and Q & A
- 12:30 Lunch Break
- 13:30 Report from the Committees and Discussion: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas
 - i) Constitution & By-Laws Committee

Proposal of the Revision of the C & B: Singapore Medical Association

- ii) Finance Committee: Hong Kong Medical Association
- iii) Membership Committee: Taiwan Medical Association
- iv) Resolution Committee

Comments on Proposed WMA Policies: Dr. Tai Joon Moon

WMA Resolution on Drug Prescription

WMA Statement on the Relationship between Physicians and Pharmacists in Medical Therapy

- v) Draft of the CMAAO Statements: Dr. Dong Chun Shin
- 17:00 Any Other Business

Summary of the Business Session: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas

- 17:30 Adjournment
- 18:30 Dinner: Hosted by the Malaysian Medical Association

DAY 3: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010

Symposium on "Task Shifting and Medical Profession"

- 08:30 Welcome Address: Dr. Dong Chun Shin, Chair of Symposium, co-chaired by Dr. David K.L. Quek Presentation by NMAs
- 11:00 Summary of the Symposium: Dr. Dong Chun Shin
- 11:30 Closing Remarks: Dr. Wonchat Subhachaturas and Dr. Fachmi Idris
- 12:00 Farewell Lunch: Hosted by the Malaysian Medical Association
- 14:00 Kuala Lumpur City Tour: Hosted by the Malaysian Medical Association

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