Myanmar Medical Association

Country Report
2015 - 2016
MMA

- established since 1949
- members of nearly 20,000
- Both government & non-government sectors
- 38 specialty societies and special interest groups
- head quarter is located in Yangon
- 15 States and Region Branches
- More township branches
Goals

a. promote CPD of medical doctors
b. improve quality of health care of the nation
c. maintain and promote high ethical standard
d. encourage and implement research activities
e. build unity, friendship and co-operation
f. nurture newer generation of medical profession.
g. Participate in public health activities
h. correlate and co-operate with regional and international medical professional communities
New Constitution and Election

- New Constitution - 2016
- Election - Secret voting - Jan 2016
- Executive Committee (2016 - 2018)
  - 20 Members
    - President - Prof Rai Mra
    - Vice President 1 - Prof Aye Aung
    - Vice President 2 - Dr Khin Pyone Kyi
    - Honorary Secretary - Prof Saw Win
- Central Council - EC 20 + Regions Rep - 30
Activities

- Academic Activities
- Publications
- Health Education for the public
- Social Activities
- Disaster Relief Activities
- Public Health Projects
- International Relationship
- Advocacy and Advisory Activities
- Challenges
Academic Activities

- Main function of MMA
- Myanmar Medical Conference
  - Every year in 3rd week of January
  - in conjunction with annual general assembly
  - alternately in Yangon and Capital City of Regions
- Jan 2016 - 62nd Conference - Yangon
- Jan 2017 - 20th to 24th - Magway
62nd Myanmar Medical Conference
15-20 Jan 2016, Yangon
63rd MMC - 20th - 24th Jan 2017, Magway

Myanmar Medical Association

No. 249, Theinbyu Road, Mingalar Taungnyunt Township, Yangon

63rd Myanmar Medical Conference

Venue
University of Medicine, Magway, Magway Region, Myanmar

First announcement

We are pleased to announce that the Myanmar Medical Association (MMA) will convene the 63rd Myanmar Medical Conference from 20th to 24th January, 2017 in Magway City, Magway Region, Myanmar. All the members of the MMA and guests from abroad are cordially invited to participate in this annual academic event.

The conference is designed to bring medical personnel, local and abroad, to exchange their professional experiences, to update the participants with current medical advances and also to get together socially.

Arrangements can be made for those who are interested to visit the near-by cultural and historical sites.

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Magway is the capital city of Magway Region in the central dry zone of Myanmar. It will be generally warm during the month of the conference but relatively cold in some parts of the region. Among the Thanakha (Lonicera acida) plantations in the region, Shweyaung Thanaka variety is well known in Myanmar. Yenang-gyung Oil Field, Chauk Oil Field and Mamm Oil Field in Minbu (Sasau) are famous mineral resources in the region.

A wonderful place to visit and admire the green and breath-taking mountain scenery in the dry plain region of Myanmar is only two and half hour drive from Magway.

It is only two and half hour drive from Magway to Bagan, the ancient city famous for its wealth of cultural heritage with thousands of pagodas and Buddhist temples.

A famous place of pilgrimage where Buddhists pay homage to Buddha’s footprints is situated in Minbu Township on the other side of the Ayeyawady. It is only one and half hour drive from Magway.

A short stay in Magway is an opportune time for you to visit Bagon Aung San museum in Nat-Maek, the native town of the national leader of Myanmar. It is only one hour drive away.

Minikta Fort is historically famous for its role in English-Burmese wars. It is only one and half hour drive from Magway.

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Belkhan

Ancient Pyu city recognized as a place of world heritage in Myanmar is only about two hours drive from Magway.
Academic Activities - Regular

- Certificate courses of CME for GPs
- Distance Learning Certificate courses of CME for GPs
- Primary Trauma
- Basic and Advanced Life Support
- Basic and Intermediate Biostatistics
Basic and Intermediate Biostatistics

Basic and Advanced Life Support
Certificate was awarded after completing 4 different module

Similar course can attend by distance learning
Academic Activities - Ad Hoc

- CMEs - Heat Related illness, Eyes and Ear Injuries, Polio Eradication, Meningococcal Meningitis, Ebola, Zika Virus infection, Anaemia in different ages, Childhood malignancies, Diphtheria, Typhoid Fever, Diabetes and Asthma

- Seminars - Medical Ethics
  - Scientific Writing & Publications
World Polio Day

Zika Virus for the Medical Practitioners
Conferences by Societies

Intensive Course in Diabetes Management for General Practitioners

- **Date**: July 16, 17, 23, 24 (4 days)
- **Time**: 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM
- **Venue**: University of Nursing Hall, Bogyoke Aung San Road, Lanmadaw
- **Course Fee**: 25000 kyats
- **Refreshment**: will be served
- **Handout**: will be provided.
- **Trainers**: Trainers from Myanmar Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism (MSEM) of MMA.

**Registration**
- **June 25, 26 2016**: (12 Noon to 3 PM at Auditorium B, MMA)
- **July 2, 3, 2016**: (12 Noon to 3 PM at Auditorium B, MMA)
- **July 13, 14, 15, 2016**: (11AM to 3PM at GP Society Office, 3rd floor of MMA building)

Limited seats. First come first serve.
Publications

- Myanmar Medical Journal (MMJ)
- (ISSN 0007-6295) is the official publication of MMA
- published since 1953
- regularly publishing this journal every three monthly.
- MMA News Letter - Published Monthly
Myanmar Medical Journal
MMA Newsletter
MMA Publishing House
Guidelines

Obs & Gynae Guideline

Internal Medicine Guideline

Pediatric Management Guideline
Health Education for the public

- Hypertension, Diabetes, HIV/AIDS, TB, Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever and Food Safety,
- World AIDS day, World TB Day, World Asthma Day, World Osteoporosis day
Social Activities

- Myanmar new year
Social Activities

- Support Group for Elderly Doctors (SGED)
- a very active and peculiar branch of MMA
- founded since 2006
- takes care of social, financial and health needs of elderly doctors of Myanmar
- Day Care center for elderly doctors is serving as a place where elderly doctors can come and rest and meet old friends.
Support group for elderly doctors
Disaster Relief Activities

- flood during the last two weeks of July and early weeks of September - 2015
- Immediate Relief
  - medical and hygiene kits, water purification solutions, water purification machines, food and other relief goods to disaster areas in Chin, Rakhine, Sagaing, Magway and Ayerwaddy areas.
- Volunteer doctors from our association personally visited many of the flood stricken areas for medical treatment and donations.
Disaster Relief Activities - 2016

Ayerwaddy Division Medical Trip
Public Health Activities

- 10 public health projects
- Malaria, TB, Reproductive Health, Youth development
- Humanitarian projects in the Rakhine and Kachin States
- Different partners namely Global Fund, UNFPA, USAID, 3 MDG and PACT
- Malaria in > 130 townships
- TB in > 120 townships
MMA Malaria (QDSTM) Project

Health Education in Palaw

Health Education in Bokpyin

ACD in Migrant Population

Health Education in Ngape
MMA PPM TB Project
International Memberships

- MASEAN since 1997
- CMAAO since 2009
- WMA since 2012
International Relationship

- successfully hosted 30th General Assembly and 51st Council Meeting of CMAAO in Yangon last year
- President Rai Mra - served as President of CMAAO for 2015 - 2016
- Attended WMA assembly in 2015 October in Moscow
- Delegates attended MASEAN meeting in May 2016
CMAAO 2015 - Yangon
Advocacy and Advisory Activities

- Advises to Ministry of Health in various national health issues
  - PG training of GPs
  - Ethical issues
  - Health system reforms
  - Food and Drug Administration
  - Human resources development
  - Medical registration fees
We do not agree mass movement of military doctor to MOH

We welcome decision of MOH- no further appointment of Military Official to MOH

We encourage our doctor to serve for the country with their utmost ability
Advocacy to MMC
Challenges

- rapid political, social and economic changes in recent year
- openness and more and more democratization
- demanded more in health care services and more critical of the health care system and more cases where doctors and hospitals has been sued for claims of medical negligence
Challenges

- medical defense union does not exist
- Health remains expensive
- severe shortage of health care professionals including doctors in rural and remote areas
- More health budget, More appointments
- Development is taking place at a very rapid rate but it will not be able to satisfy all the health care needs of the country in a short period.
THANK YOU