

AIMM President's message for AGM 2018

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After years of endeavor, AIMM finally launched the much-awaited acclaimed Inaugural International Integrative Medicine Conference with much gratification. AIMM was seeking financial support after MOH granted us a support letter in June 2017 to organize the conference and this was only materialized after signing a legal agreement with social enterprise IC PLT which provided the means and backing.

We are truly honored and thankful for the esteemed endorsement from the Minister of Health, Dato Seri Dr. Subramaniam and the Director General of Health, Datuk Dr. Noor Hisham. Heartfelt thanks to the Deputy Director General, Dato Seri Dr. Jeyaindran for officiating the conference and also graciously awarding the foundation fellow awards to the pro-tem committee.

We were encouraged further by both the international and local speakers and delegates for their most valuable feedback that the conference was of world class standards and rankings in terms of quality, content and venue. They were from UK, USA, Australia, Sweden, France, Singapore, Philippines, India, Indonesia, Bangladesh etc.

It was a harmonious display of synergy with diversity as it was attended by allopathic doctors, non-allopathic medical practitioners, scientists, corporate figures and MOH officials.

Symbolically, as to get to the heart of the matter, patients also attended as delegates. It is of essence to demonstrate the bottom-up- approach as to truly understand what is best for patients.

On a personal clinician's note, more than 20 of my patients who attended the conference testified that they were empowered and motivated after listening to other medical experts talk in various fields. These patients felt hopeful as there are integrated medical solutions for every health issues.

To complement our inaugural event, we had a momentous prestigious charity gala dinner which demonstrated comradeship not only within the fraternity but also across the community.

Once again, our heartfelt gratitude to both the organizing teams who toiled voluntarily for the conference.

As for now, we would like to invite various recognized medical practices to provide courses and seminars.

We plead for more volunteers and even corporate support for our 2019 International Integrative Medicine Conference sometime during the third quarter.

Yours faithfully,

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