

Andre Shi-Lin Wansaicheong

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We remember Andre who was a true friend of the College and Family Medicine.

Andre was instrumental in putting up a paper in the late nineties to the then Director of Medical Services (DMS), Prof Tan Chorh Chuan, to provide funding to the College of Family Physicians Singapore to start a graduate programme to provide further training to general practitioners in preparing them to manage a host of chronic diseases as a result of our rapidly ageing population.

His foresight in working with the College and dogged determination resulted in the Ministry of Health provision of a grant of over \$400,000. With this funding, the College was able to establish the Graduate Diploma of Family Medicine and has today trained thousands of family physicians through the CMEs, seminars, webinars as well as hands on practical sessions and workshops.

We owe Andre a debt of gratitude; words cannot express adequately our profound sadness at his passing.

May he Rest In Peace.

The Show Must Go On!

Continuing the College's mission to educate during DORSCON Orange

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News of the COVID-19 outbreak in Wuhan, China captured the public's attention when it was first announced in December 2019. Doctors in Singapore were thinking about the implications of this epidemic on their departments, their patients, their communities and their families. A small group of dedicated clinician educators also thought about the impact that this disease would have on the ongoing educational efforts of the College, and prepared contingency plans.

On 23rd January 2020, the first confirmed case of COVID-19 was announced by the Ministry of Health, and the country was put on DORSCON Yellow footing. The very next day, Dr Julian Lim purchased a ZOOM e-conferencing plan for



The inaugural GDFM Module 7 via Zoom on 8th February 2020.

100 participants to evaluate the software for possible use for the MMed(Family Medicine) programme. He had prior experience using Zoom for video-conferencing with the staff from iHeed in Ireland while working on the learning management system for the MMed(Family Medicine) programme. On 28th January 2020, Dr Darren Seah kindly arranged for the staff from the Primary Care Academy

of the National Health Group Polyclinic to share their experiences using Zoom for Continuing Medical Education (CME) with Dr Julian Lim at Nexus@one-north.

A small group of tutors, Dr Wong Tien Hua, Dr Julian Lim, A/Prof Cheong Pak Yean, A/Prof Goh Lee Gan, Dr Tan Wei Beng, Dr Kenneth Tan and Dr Tan Liat Leng, was formed on

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