

EDITORIAL

The future direction of Malaysian Family Physician

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We are saddened by the passing of Professor Dr Su May Liew, who led the Board of Editors excellently between 2016 and 2021. Over the past five years, Professor Liew presided over 213 articles and ensured the publication of journal articles of the highest standard. We hope to continue her admirable efforts for the journal in future. At the end of this issue, we have published an article on a moment in the life of a family physician written by Professor Liew,¹ sharing her personal experiences of making decisions about her illness before her passing. This is followed by Professor Liew's obituary, which highlights her remarkable achievements in the field of primary care.²

This first issue of Malaysian Family Physician (MFP) for 2022 observes a change in the chief editorship and an expansion of the Board of Editors. We have appointed new international associate editors from Thailand and Singapore as well as local associate editors. With the expansion of the Board of Editors, we will continue to strive towards providing a platform for primary care researchers to publish their work and keep readers updated on new evidence in primary care locally and internationally. Currently, MFP is indexed in PubMed Central and Scopus, with future aims to achieve indexing in Web of Science (ISI).

Over the past three years, an increasing number of high-quality research articles have been submitted to MFP. The present issue includes two review articles, seven original research articles, one Clinical Practice Guideline (CPG) review, five case reports and one test your knowledge quiz. The two review articles and CPG review highlight the management of chronic conditions (i.e.: gout, chronic kidney disease and major depression) in primary care.³⁻⁵ The original research articles encompass a diverse range of patients and medical conditions of primary care, ranging from screening to complications in chronic diseases and covering all ages from children, adolescence to older age groups.⁶⁻¹¹ I hope that MFP will continue to receive support from all our readers, contributors, reviewers and editors for the continuing progress of the journal.

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