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**Induction Comitia & Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration 2013**

2<sup>nd</sup> AMM-AMS-HKAM Tripartite Congress and  
47<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine 2013

**“The New Reality in Medicine: Caring for Patients with Multiple Co-Morbidities”**

23 - 24 August 2013 | Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore

(Singapore, 22 August 2013): The Academy of Medicine, Singapore is honoured to confer **Honorary Fellowship** on **Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam**, Singapore’s Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance at its annual Induction Comitia which will be held on Friday, 23 August 2013.

The Academy is especially privileged to have **Guest-of-Honour, His Excellency Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam**, President of the Republic of Singapore and Patron of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, present to witness the conferment ceremony.

At this year’s conferment, the Academy will also officially admit 101 medical specialists as Fellows of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. They will join the Academy’s fellowship to pursue the highest standards of clinical competence and ethical integrity of the medical professional in Singapore and to promote and ensure the highest standard of healthcare is delivered to patients. Joining them is 25 academic leaders and Presidents of overseas colleges. In addition, 18 doctors, who have successfully completed the Academy’s Staff Registrar Scheme (SRS) Diploma programme, will also receive their certificate at the Induction Comitia.

The **21<sup>st</sup> Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration**, a biennial event held during the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, will be delivered by DPM Tharman Shanmugaratnam. The Academy and its Fellow academicians look forward to the Oration where DPM Tharman will share his thoughts and perspective on **“A Fair and Just Society: What Stays, What Changes?”**.

This year, the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tripartite Congress of the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia (AMM), Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) and the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (HKAM)** is also held in conjunction with the **47<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine**. The two-day congress is scheduled on 23-24 August 2013 at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore.

The theme of the Congress is **The New Reality in Medicine - Caring for Patients with Multiple Co-Morbidities**. Dr Wong Kok Seng, Organising Chairman of the congresses highlighted, "With our aging population and advances in medical technology, we are seeing more medically complex patients who will relentlessly challenge our abilities to deliver holistic care. When these patients seek our expertise in our area of specialisation, they often come with various other co-morbidities. It remains a challenge to know which patients require input from other specialists, how urgently those inputs should be obtained and what steps should be taken while awaiting review."

This congress will provide an excellent opportunity for specialists to relearn clinical medicine from their fellow colleagues. The presence of outstanding Academicians locally and those from Malaysia and Hong Kong will enrich the scientific programme and provide a wonderful opportunity to exchange views and see how counterparts from Malaysia and Hong Kong deal with the various medical issues confronting them.

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The Academy of Medicine, Singapore, is a professional institution of medical and dental specialists devoted to advancing the art and science of medicine in Singapore through undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate medical education; maintenance of high standards of competency and ethical integrity through continuous professional development as well as dissemination of information and knowledge to the public on matters related to health. The vision of the Academy is to be the leading institution for postgraduate medical education and professional development of medical specialists in the region. From a membership of 75 in 1969, the Academy has now grown with a total membership base of over 2,700 members in nine Colleges and five Chapters.