

CHAPTER OF PSYCHIATRISTS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

2008–2009 office-bearers

Chairperson:	Dr Yap Hwa Ling
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Committee Members:	A/Prof Chong Siow Ann A/Prof Ong Thiew Chai Dr Parvathy d/o Pathy

HIGHLIGHTS

Education and Training

The Chapter contributed actively to Continuing Medical Education programmes and lectures :

9 April 2008

Updates on the Treatment of Borderline Personality Disorder

Dr Anthony W K Ang
Consultant Psychiatrist in Psychotherapy, South West London & St George's Mental Health NHS, Trust, Springfield University Hospital, London, England, United Kingdom.

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Co-organised with the Department of Psychiatry, Singapore General Hospital

16 July 2008

2nd Professional Lecture: Treatment of PTSD in Israel

Dr Gary Michael Quinn
Director, Jerusalem Stress & Trauma Institute, Jerusalem, Israel.

24 April 2008

1st Professional Lecture: How Antipsychotics Work – From Receptors to Response

Prof Shitij Kapur, Vice-Dean, Head, Section of Schizophrenia, Imaging & Therapeutics,
Department of Psychological Medicine, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London,
University of London, England, United Kingdom.
Chairperson: A/Prof Chong Siow Ann

10 November 2008

3rd Professional Lecture: Bipolar Illness & Puerperal Psychosis – Risks & Management in Pregnancy & Postpartum

Dr Margaret R Oates
Consultant Perinatal Psychiatrist, Queen's Medical Centre & Honorary Senior Lecturer, University of Nottingham, England, UK.
Chairperson: Dr Yap Hwa Ling

Providing feedback and recommendations

During the year, the Chapter contributed feedback and recommendations on:

- National Medical Specialty Centres for Psychiatry to the Committee on Strategy for National Medical Specialisation Centres, Ministry of Health, Singapore
- Update of Guidelines on Fitness to Drive to the Singapore Medical Association (SMA)
- Clinical Practice Guidelines: Prescribing of Benzodiazepines (endorsement)
- Mental Capacity Bill

Participation at International Conferences

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine's 15th Anniversary Congress

15 & 16 November 2008, Hong Kong

The Chapter represented the Academy at the Hong Kong Academy's 15th Anniversary Congress. Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Fellow Psychiatrist) delivered a presentation on "A Case with Bipolar Disorder who Responds to Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation".

Sponsorship of events

In 2008, the Chapter participated and also granted nominal sponsorship in the following events:

- 5th Congress - Asian Society For Child And Adolescent Psychiatry & Allied Professions, 29 – 31 August 2008
- Annual Medico-Legal Seminar, 11 October 2008

Collaborations

National Program For Mental Health: Teaching Collaboration Between Cambodia & Singapore

The Chapter is pleased to continue its support to the National Program for Mental Health: Teaching Collaboration between Cambodia & Singapore for a further two years (2009 & 2010). With the programme, seven third year residents have passed the exams and five of them have secured positions in public hospitals.

More information on the Chapter is available at http://www.ams.edu.sg/chapter/home.aspx?sec_id=10