

33rd CMAOO General Assembly and 54TH Council Meeting

12-14th September 2018

Shanrgri-La Rasa Sayang Resort and Spa

Penang, Malaysia

Myanmar Medical Association

Country report for CMAAO 2018

- 2017-2018

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Established since 1949,

19326 members and 2825 pro members

40 specialty societies and special interest groups

19 branch offices over the country



Academic Activities 2017-2018

Myanmar Medical Conferences

2017- 63rd Medical
Conference in Magway



2019 – 65th Medical
Conference
Naypyitaw

2016 – 62nd
Medical
Conference,
Yangon

2018- 64th Medical
Conference in Yangon



64th Myanmar Medical Conference

20-24 Jan 2018, Yangon Region

Main Medical Conference of the year

MOHS attended
800 + participants





GP Conference - Yangon



18th Myanmar Medical Association Taunggyi February 2018





Regular Academic Activities

- **Certificate courses of CME for GPs**
- **Distance Learning Certificate courses of CME for GPs**
- **Primary Trauma Care**
- **Basic and Advanced Life Support**
- **Basic and Intermediate Biostatistics**



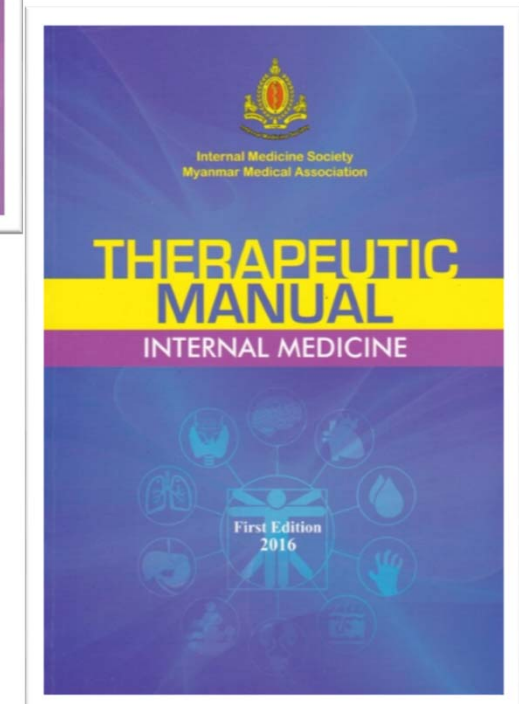
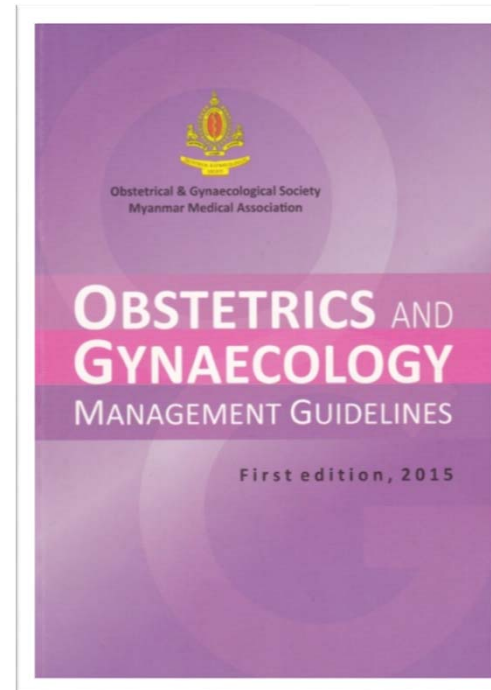


Academic Activities

- ▶ CMEs - Heat Related illness
 - ▶ Eyes and Ear Injuries
 - ▶ Polio Eradication
 - ▶ Meningococcal Meningitis
 - ▶ Ebola, Zika Virus infection
 - ▶ Anaemia in different ages
 - ▶ Childhood malignancies
 - ▶ Diphtheria
 - ▶ Typhoid Fever
 - ▶ Diabetes and Asthma
- Seminars - Medical Ethics
- Scientific Writing & Publications



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MMA News Letter



MMA Publishing House





Health Education for the Public in weekends

- Hypertension, Diabetes, HIV/AIDS, TB, Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever and Food Safety,
- World AIDS day, World TB Day, World Asthma Day, World Osteoporosis day



Relief Activities/Natural Disaster areas

▶ Rakhine State .

Medical and hygiene kits, water purification solutions, water purification machines, food and other relief goods

- ▶ Volunteer doctors from our association personally visited many of the areas for medical treatment and donations.



Medical Care Team Trips



Medical care being provided in
Buthitaung, Maung Taw areas

Photos taken with permission
from patients



Social Activities Support Group for Elderly Doctors (SGED)



- Very active and dedicated group of MMA members takes care of social, financial and health needs of Senior doctors of since 2006
- Day Care center for elderly doctors - where elderly doctors can come and rest and meet old friends



Public Health Activities

Malaria(130 township)

▶ TB (120 township)

Reproductive Health (21 townships + 5 this year)

Youth development project (6 Township)

Humanitarian projects in the Rakhine and Kachin States

▶ Different partners (Global Fund, UNFPA, USAID, 3 MDG and PACT)



International Relationship

- Hosted 30th General Assembly and 51st Council Meeting of CMAAO in Yangon
- President Rai Mra - served as President of CMAAO for 2015 - 2016
- Delegates attended MASEAN meeting in May 2016
- China Medical Association Congress January 2017
- Plan to participate this year also

Advocacy and Advisory Activities



Advises to Ministry of Health in various national health issues

- PG training of GPs
- Ethical issues
- Health system reforms
- Food and Drug Administration
- Human resources development
- Medical registration fees

Patient Safety

- Patient Safety is being advocated by Many International organizations and Myanmar Medical Association is also actively working towards it



Compulsory CME

- Myanmar is

Working towards **Compulsory Medical Education** for all practicing Myanmar Medical Doctors.

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Challenges

- CME for GPs is also the main responsibility of MMA (Central) CME and GP society MMA,
- Reaching out to all Doctors in Rural areas & Districts is a challenge
- ▶ Supporting Medical Council for Accreditation System development

- For Doctors in “Hard to Reach Areas” online access might be the only option.
- (recent survey showed >90% of DRs have internet access)
- Some only use “facebook”. Young doctors don’t even use email.
- Any Experiences from other member Countries?



Challenges

- Political, social and economic changes in recent years lead to more demand on health care services (sometimes fueled by mis-using ? the social media) and more litigations towards doctors and hospitals and claims of medical negligence



Challenges

- ▶ Medical Defense Union - not established yet
- ▶ No Medical Protection Society
- ▶ Now Working to setup a “mechanism” for medico-legal assistance

How are other member countries' Medical Associations facing these challenges.

Some Shared Experiences would be helpful.

- Thank You

THANK YOU

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