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Country Report

Korean Medical Association

(Activities 2021 - 2022)



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**Close cooperation with the
government to overcome COVID-19**

Cooperation with the government to overcome COVID-19

As of July 2022, we have agreed to cooperate closely with the government to effectively overcome the resurgence of COVID-19 in the second half of the year, and made a joint announcement between the Korean Medical Association and the Korean Disease Control and Prevention Agency.



Cooperation with the government to overcome COVID-19

In order to overcome the resurgence of the pandemic early on, the Korean Medical Association and the Korean Disease Control and Prevention Agency agreed to build a flexible cooperation system through

- ▲preparations for one-stop diagnosis and treatment centering on local clinics and hospitals**
- ▲support for medical institute infection control and safe treatment environments to ensure safe examination and treatment**
- ▲establishment of a round-the-clock communication channel that reflects the opinions of experts and medical in policies, etc.**



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Strong request to the government to withdraw the change of the English naming of oriental medical doctors (Doctor of Korean Medicine) due to concerns of confusing citizens

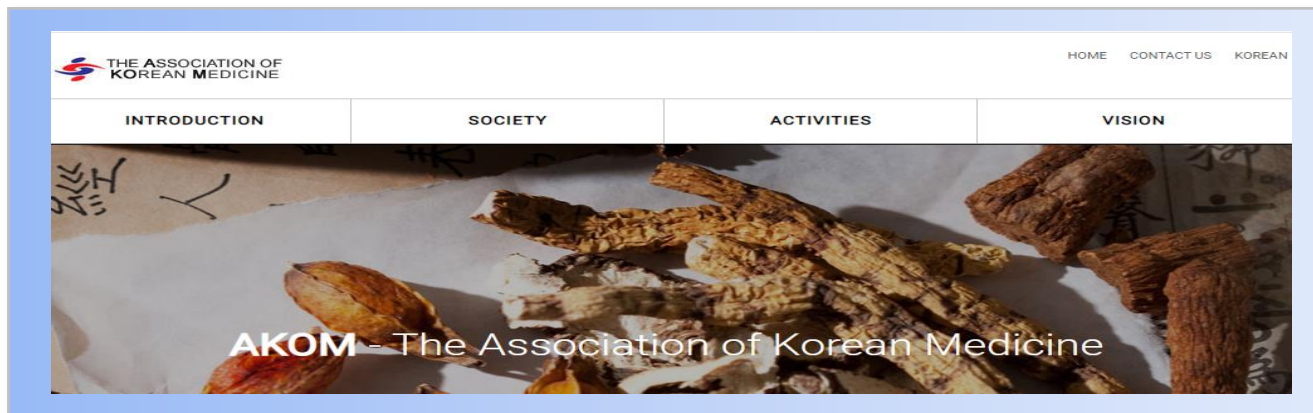
Oriental medical doctor -> Doctor of Korean Medicine

Despite many disputes, the Ministry of Health and Welfare Approved changing the English naming of ‘Oriental Medical Doctor’ to ‘Doctor of Korean Medicine’ on July 26, 2022, to which the Korean Medical Association strongly requested the government to withdraw the changing of the English naming of oriental medical doctor to doctor of Korean medicine.

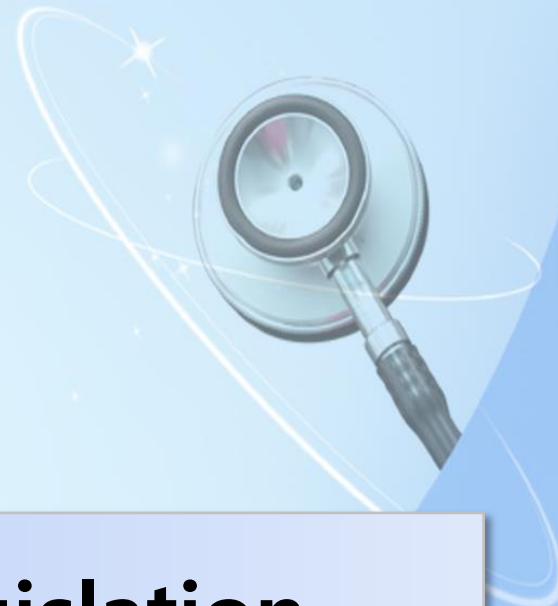
In Korea, oriental medicine are clearly distinguished according to the Medical Service Act to operate different licensing systems, and the area of work of doctors and oriental medical doctors are clearly Differentiated.

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Accurate English naming is necessary so that citizens using medical services can clearly know whether the medical service they desire is 'medical science' or 'oriental medicine,' thus preventing confusion and allowing them to safely select between medical doctors and oriental medical doctors.



<The Association of Korean Oriental Medical Doctor> homepage



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Blocking the Nursing legislation

Blocking the Nursing Legislation

The Korean Medical Association organized an emergency planning committee to block the Korean nursing legislation and held one-person relay demonstrations in front of the National Assembly and national rallies to block the nursing legislation. In April, the President of the WMA (World Medical Association) expressed support for the position of the Korean Medical Association related to the nursing legislation that was motioned for in the Korean National Assembly.

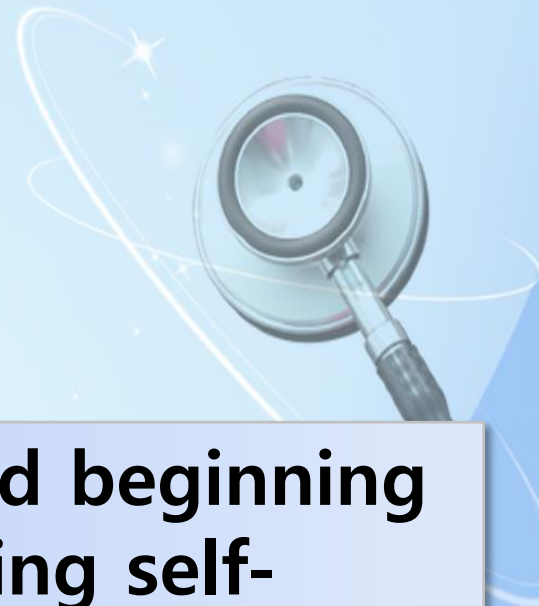
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Main contents: It was strongly expressed that the nursing legislation motioned for by the Korean National Assembly may not ensure the best and most appropriate medical treatment for patients, and having nurses provide essential medical treatment without supervision of a doctor or having a nurse's aide provide medical treatment under the supervision of a nurse are in violation of the 'best treatment rule' for medicine, and that this may potentially damage and dismantle existing team-based medical services.

Blocking the Nursing Legislation



Dr. Heidi STENSMYREN(President of WMA)



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Strong expression of will and beginning practices related to reinforcing self-regulation by doctors

Reinforcing self-regulation by doctor

By installing a self-regulation report center, we have established a round-the-clock reporting system that is being operated with the 3 main rules of ▲strict and firm self-regulation ▲organized and systematic self-regulation, and ▲joint self-regulation by the central and municipal and provincial medical associations.

Furthermore, the medical license program will be managed systematically and efficiently through an independent license management organization, and the Korean Medical Association will enhance ethics and expertise of doctors through self-regulations of medical licenses, thereby solidifying the status of medical experts, and moreover, take the lead for protecting the health and lives of citizens.



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Opening and operation of the 'Members' Rights Center' that places utmost priority on members

Members' Right Center

The Members' Rights Center functions for the protection and realization of the rights and interests of members, and various general and in-depth petitions were requested through the Members' Rights Center, while also making many achievements. It is doing its best to systematically and effectively handle member petitions and complaints, which is the main duty of the center in order to protect the rights and interests of members.





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Construction of the new Korean Medical Association building

New Korean Medical Association Building

The Korean Medical Association has been using the old building since 1974, and is now constructing a new building that it will move to. The completion of the new building this year is the hope of all members of the Korean Medical Association.





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Social contribution activities of the Korean Medical Association joined with citizens

‘Warm Meal Sharing Campaign’ together with citizens

As an expert organization, we are continuously engaging in volunteer activities that can set an example for social community activities and provide practical assistance for neighbors in need who are in the blind spots of our society due to COVID-19



Engaging in blood donation campaigns

Engaging in blood donation campaigns to overcome the blood shortage

As there is a growing trend to avoid giving blood due to the impact of COVID-19, there has been a severe shortage in blood stock, and therefore, KMA president Pil-Soo Lee and other members participated in the blood drive to take the initiative for protecting the lives and health of citizens. And the blood donor cards gathered through this blood drive and contributions for patients suffering from hematologic malignancy were donated

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Medical volunteer service and support goods for covid-19

Medical volunteer service and support goods delivered to COVID-19 residential treatment centers

The Korean Medical Association continuously visited residential treatment centers and screening centers during the COVID-19 pandemic to perform medical volunteer activities, and also encouraged medical professionals in the field facing difficulties due to the spread of COVID-19 while delivering support goods.

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Thank you