

MESSAGE



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Dear delegates

Welcome to the 6th Singapore Congress in Obstetrics & Gynaecology.

I like to first recognize our Guest-of-Honour, Dr Amy Khor, Mayor of South West District, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Water Resources and Member of Parliament, Hong Kah GRC. Dr Khor is not a stranger to our Society, who was our guest-of-honour for our overwhelmingly successful public education programme Seasons of Womanhood in September last year. And recently, 2 weeks ago, the Obstetrical & Gynaecological Society of Singapore had supported the South West District Women's Health event. We are impressed by her special passion for promoting Women's Health in Singapore, which is exactly the key constitutional reason for the existence of our Society.

A Congress is an important platform for: (1) Medical Educational Update and presentations of Research accomplishments; (2) Medical Industry to Introduce innovative & cutting-edge clinical products to clinicians and (3) Professional Networking amongst ourselves and with our overseas' colleagues. However, we must above all, focus on the scientific presentations that will teach us: (1) Current international treatment standards that should form our standard of care in Singapore; (2) New medical treatment that would form tomorrow's standard of care, and (3) Research frontiers that direct what might become the new medical treatment, and eventually the standard care in the near future.

The heavy emphasis on continual academic competence and scientific progress amongst our fraternity is critical as it helps to maintain and project a high standard of O&G practice in Singapore, and inspires our budding O&G specialists to become respectable clinicians who are at the front edge of medicine. This is particularly important as we are also serving international patients, patients who are learned, able to afford cutting-edge care and naturally has an exceedingly high expectation of the clinical outcome we provide. CMEs and the awareness of current research directions Medicine, help us to match the expectations of our increasingly sophisticated patients.

This Congress has all the ingredients to give us the high of scientific values. There are a total of 211 presentations by 158 speakers. In addition, there are 4 Pre-Congress workshops. But more importantly, we must applaud the 57 submissions of original research abstracts. The elaborate social events, facilities, industry support and food and beverages arrangements that the Committee has gone through great length to prepare for us are expected to be most enjoyable and engaging.

On behalf of the Obstetrical & Gynaecological Society of Singapore, I welcome all our foreign speakers and delegates to our Congress and to Singapore. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to Dr Suresh Nair, Dr Beh Suan Tiong, Dr Fong Yoke Fai and the entire organizing committee for their commitment in making this Congress a reality. We are also grateful to all our Industry partners for their outstanding support.

Finally, the Organising Committee has done what they can, it is now our obligation to help to make this Congress a success by participating in as many of the scientific sessions as you can. I urge all delegates to keep your neuronal synapses busy and soak up as much new knowledge as possible, which are delivered to us at a very cost-effective manner.

Enjoy the Society, enjoy the Congress.