





Tutorial Sessions for BSMMU MD Students

The APHN and BSMMU will be launching a 8-week session of palliative care training to the BSMMU MD students. The objective of the training mainly focuses on how to treat patients using real cases from the hospital. We hope the MD students will be able to learn much more through the case discussions with this multi-disciplinary approach. At the end of the 8-week training, we hope to equip the MD students a better practical experience in treating patients covering topics like cancer and neuropathic pain control, use of opioids, treatment of breathlessness, intestinal obstruction, dealing with psychosocial issues and delivering difficult conversations.

The volunteering Faculty for the Tutorial sessions are as follows:

Teaching Faculty	Photo
<p>Dr. Cynthia Goh</p> <p>Dr Goh is an Emeritus Consultant in the Division of Supportive & Palliative Care at the National Cancer Centre Singapore and Associate Professor at the Duke-NUS Medical School. She is an accredited specialist in Internal Medicine and Palliative Medicine, and has a PhD in Molecular Biology. Dr Goh currently chairs the Advisory Committee of the Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Network (APHN) and was involved in its formation since 1996. Her major interests are in leading APHN projects to help build capacity for palliative care in countries like Bangladesh, Myanmar, Sri Lanka and India.</p>	
<p>Dr. R. Akhileswaran</p> <p>Dr. Akhileswaran is a Senior Consultant and Palliative Medicine Specialist at Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, Singapore, looking after palliative care patients. He specialised in Radiation Oncology and Palliative Medicine. He is involved in Training Palliative Medicine trainees, medical students, nurses, and allied health staff. Dr. Akhileswaran was the Medical Director and CEO of HCA Hospice Care, Singapore's largest home hospice service. He has been the President of the Singapore Hospice Council and a Board Member of the Asia Pacific Hospice Network.</p>	



Dr Venga

Dr Venga is a Consultant at the Division of Supportive and Palliative Care, National Cancer Centre. He graduated from St George's, University of London and returned to work in Singapore. He completed his internal medicine residency and MRCP (UK) in 2014 and palliative medicine advanced specialist training in 2018. He has a keen interest in education and training within Palliative Medicine.



Dr Pijush Sarker

Dr. Pijush is a palliative care specialist and education lead for palliative care education at Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, Singapore. He is also a senior clinical lecturer at National University of Singapore (NUS) and a course supervisor for diploma students of Graduate Diploma in Palliative Medicine, NUS. Dr. Pijush is a compassionate physician who believes in continuous medical education, research, and evidence-based practice. He is passionate about teaching with the vision of developing skilled and comprehensive palliative care workforce to provide holistic care for the patients.



Mr Giam Cheong Leong

Mr. Giam is the Executive Director of the APHN and the Programme Director of Lien Collaborative for Palliative Care program. He was formally the Head of Clinical Operations at Ren Ci Hospital, Singapore. Giam has more than 20 years of experience in Strategic planning and Administrative management, has been the Chief of staffs to top executives, and head various functional groups at Hewlett-Packard. Giam graduated with an Honours degree in Engineering from the National University of Singapore and awarded the Master of Business Administration from the Nanyang Business School.

