

News from SMA Council

1. CMAAO MID-TERM MEETING, 24-26 NOV 2006

This year, the Confederation of Medical Associations in Asia and Oceania (CMAAO) will hold its Mid-Term Meeting in Singapore from 24 to 26 November 2006. SMA is one of the 16 member associations of CMAAO, and is pleased to be hosting the Meeting this year.

2. MEETING WITH PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY

Council Members of SMA and Singapore Association of Pharmaceutical Industries (SAPI) met on 25 September 2006 to update each other on their respective associations' activities as well as to look into areas of cooperation.

SAPI presented their revised Code of Marketing Practices, which will take effect from 1 October 2006. The *SMA News* will be reproducing the key changes to the Code in the following months.

SMA and SAPI also agreed to work together to update the joint SMA and SAPI paper on "The Medical Profession and the Pharmaceutical Industry", which was first published in November 1998.

3. NEW FACE IN SECRETARIAT

We welcome Ms Li Li Loy, who joined us on 1 September 2006 as Advertising Executive for the *Singapore Medical Journal (SMJ)*. ■



SINGAPORE MEDICAL COUNCIL 2006 ELECTION

The Singapore Medical Council (SMC) will be holding an election to fill 4 positions in the Council. Voting will start on **Wednesday, 8 November 2006 (0800 hours)** and **end on Friday, 17 November 2006 (2400 hours)**.

Voting will be conducted via an Automated Telephone System. Voting is **COMPULSORY** for all fully registered medical practitioners under Section 6 of the Medical Registration Act (Cap. 174). Those who failed to vote without a valid reason will be fined \$500.

The election documents will be delivered by bulk-mailing to all eligible voters on 1 or 2 November 2006. Fully registered medical practitioners who have not received the election notice letter by Wednesday 8 November 2006 are kindly requested to **contact SMC at 63723069 / 63723070 during office hours**.

WHAT IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN

In the last issue's *President's Forum – Affording Quality*, the *Affordable Health White Paper 2003* was quoted as a reference.

The year of publication should be **1993**. We apologise for the typographical error.