



# SMA Workshop: Death Certification

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## SMA CMEP

Centre for  
Medical Ethics &  
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**Date:** 16 March 2013, Saturday

**Time:** 1.30 pm to 4.40 pm

**Venue:** Raffles Town Club

**Number of CME Points:** Pending approval from the Singapore Medical Council

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### DEATH CERTIFICATION

Medical certification is a privilege solely accorded to registered medical practitioners by the law. Certification of death carries significant responsibilities. The appropriate knowledge, skills and attitudes are necessary to fulfil this responsibility. Failure or neglect of this responsibility could lead to serious legal, ethical and professional repercussions. When called to do such certification of death, the practitioner must have reviewed the past and recent medical history, as well as the circumstances of death. The doctor needs to understand the difference between the cause, mechanism, mode and manner of death. The doctor must discern and make appropriate clinical judgement as to the anatomical and pathological cause of death. Doctors must be aware of their responsibilities under the Coroners Act. The Coroners Act 2010 requires all doctors to be able to recognise when deaths need to be reported to the Coroner.

This workshop provides medical professionals with the basic knowledge and foundations in the execution of this important duty. **SMA**



#### PROGRAMME

1.30 pm	Registration and Refreshments
2 pm	Introduction and Duty of Care in Certification – Legal and Ethical Implications
2.20 pm	Understanding the Coroners Act 2010
2.45 pm	Death Certification
3.10 pm	Tea Break
3.40 pm	Group Discussion – Case Scenarios and Hands on Practice
4.10 pm	Review of Discussion with Q & A
4.40 pm	End of Seminar

#### FACULTY

- **Dr T Thirumorthy**  
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MCR No.: \_\_\_\_\_ SMA Member: Yes / No (please circle accordingly)

#### Registration fees (inclusive of GST):

- SMA members: \$50 deposit per person\*
- Non-members: \$107 per person
- Preferred partners (AMS, MLS, CFPS): \$75 per person

\* • Deposit of \$50 will be refunded upon successful completion of the workshop. • Deposit of \$50 will not be refunded if a withdrawal notice of less than 7 working days is given.

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