

News from SMA Council

By Dr Tham Tat Yean, Honorary Asst Secretary

1. MEMBERS WHO GO OVERSEAS FOR HMDP

The SMA Council is pleased to inform members who go overseas for their HMDP that they **do not have to resign from SMA**. If they are away for **more than half a year**, they need only pay half of the subscription as long as they notify the SMA Honorary Secretary in writing, two weeks prior to their departure.

2. UPCOMING SMA EVENTS

a. 42nd SMA Annual General Meeting

Date : **7 April 2002 (Sun)**

Time : **2.00 pm - 5.00 pm**

Venue : Alumni Auditorium, Level 2, Alumni Medical Centre

For the notice of AGM and notification inviting nominations of

candidates for election to the 43rd SMA Council, please refer to your mailbag inserts sent in late January.

b. SMA 33rd National Medical Convention

Theme : *Effective Health Screening – What You Must Know*

Date : **27-28 April 2002 (Sat-Sun)**

Venue : Suntec Singapore

For more information, please visit our website at

<http://www.sma.org.sg/whatsnew/convention2002/index.html>

or contact Ms Ng Wee Fong at Email: weefong@sma.org.sg or Tel: 223 1264.

c. SMA Annual Dinner 2002

Theme : *An Evening of Musicals*

Date : **27 April 2002 (Sat)**

Time : **7.00 pm**

Venue : The Island Ballroom, Shangri-La Hotel

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 8-DIGIT NUMBERING PLAN IN SINGAPORE

With effect from **1 March 2002**, Singapore will adopt an 8-digit numbering plan where all existing fixed-line telephone and facsimile numbers will be prefixed with the digit '6'. Hence, we would like to inform all members that with effect from **1 March 2002**, SMA's contact numbers will be changed as follows:

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