

News from SMA Council

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1. UMP – DR LILY NEO’S INITIATIVE

We refer to the Ad-hoc UMP Medical Defence Workgroup’s circular of 11 December 2002 to UMP Members, which informed that Dr Lily Neo, GPC Chairman (Health) intends to spearhead an initiative to get the Australian authorities to give serious consideration to the rights of Singapore UMP Members. Thus far, only 10% of UMP Members have responded.

The SMA Council once again urges all UMP Members who have not

responded to give their full support to this worthy initiative. A copy of the circular and the response slip is included in this month’s mailbag.

2. “MEDICAL MALPRACTICE IN SINGAPORE”

“Medical Malpractice in Singapore” is the SMA Centre for Medical Ethics and Professionalism’s first publication. A write-up on the book is available in the November 2002 issue of the SMA News (page 12).

Members who renew their membership for 2003 can collect a **FREE COPY** of the book from the SMA Secretariat. For non-SMA members, and members who wish to purchase additional copies, the book is available at **\$22 and \$45 for softback and hardback respectively. Please contact Wee Fong from the SMA Secretariat at Tel: 6223 1264 or Email: weefong@sma.org.sg.** All proceeds will go to the development of the SMA CMEP. ■