

News from SMA Council

By Dr Tham Tat Yean, Honorary Secretary

1. CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES TO DOCTORS

The SMA Council would like to advise members that congratulatory messages to doctors, e.g. National Service Awards, are acceptable.

However, congratulatory messages in the public media, which are sponsored by pharmaceutical firms, might be construed by the public as an unduly close association between the doctor's medical practice and the pharmaceutical firm(s) involved. In order to avoid any such potential conflict of interest, the SMA and

Singapore Association of Pharmaceutical Industry are of the opinion that such congratulatory messages are not to be encouraged.

2. SMA SECRETARIAT

We wish to inform members that the following new staff have joined the SMA Secretariat:

- i. Mr Reuel Ng – Editorial Executive, SMJ
- ii. Ms Angeline Ong – Accounts Officer
- iii. Ms Nirmal Kaur – Administrative Assistant ■