



MPS PERAK newsletter

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From the Chairman's desk

Dear Members,

Warm greetings !!!

On behalf of the MPS Perak Area Committee I would like to wish everyone a Happy National Day. May this year's theme "*Sehati, Sejiwa*" unite all Malaysians in the national spirit.

The World Pharmacist Day 2016 is also around the corner. MPS Perak Area Committee is proud to announce that we are conducting our 2nd Perak World Pharmacist Day event at Ipoh Parade on 25 September 2016 in collaboration with BPF Perak. We are also being supported by HRPB, PKD Kinta and the UniKI Pharmacy Students Society.

MPS Perak has had a busy couple of months since our last newsletter. It brings me great pleasure to share the updates with you and I will start with the most positive update.

MPS Perak and BPF Perak had a meeting on 24.6.2016 to meet and greet the new TPKN(F) of Perak, Mr Leong Weng Choy. Mr Leong is very supportive and keen to collaborate with MPS Perak. The BPF officers in attendance were extremely helpful in providing relevant information to our queries. A report of the meeting was shared via whatsapp with all MPS Perak Members.

MPS Perak is committed to the cause of Dengue Prevention and Eradication. MPS Perak has maintained this commitment by participating and collaborating in 2 major Dengue Awareness Events this year.

We had a very successful collaboration with UniKL in conducting the Public Health Campaign for Dengue Awareness on 16 July 2016 at Aeon Klebang. The number of dengue cases over the years has increased tremendously, not only in Perak, but in Malaysia as a whole. 5 years back, in 2011, the number of deaths caused by dengue was 36. Followed by 35 deaths in 2012, 92 deaths in 2013, 215 deaths in 2014 and in 2015, 336 deaths were recorded (the highest number of deaths) . That is an alarming increase of 50%. In Perak, up to 14 July 2016, 2314 cases of dengue have been reported. This year from 3rd January till the 14th of July, we already have 134 deaths in the whole of Malaysia.

On 6 August 2016, on National Dengue Day, MPS Perak collaborated with the Allied Against Dengue team to conduct a Walk & Clean at Ipoh hotspots and an Education & Recruitment drive for Dengue Warriors at Giant Bercham.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the MPS Perak members for their continuous support and encouragement, with special reference to the positive feedback we received upon starting the MPS Perak whatsapp group.

Kind regards,



VANITHA RAMACHANDRAN
Chairman
MPS Perak Area Committee 2016/2018

PUBLIC HEALTH CAMPAIGN : DENGUE AWARENESS, 16 JULY 2016

MPS Perak collaborated with UniKL Pharmacy Student's Society to conduct a Public Health Campaign on Dengue Awareness on 16 Jul 2016 at Aeon Klebang. The event was attended by approximately 300 members of the public.

Ms Vanitha Ramachandran, MPS Perak Area Committee Chairman; was the Guest of Honor and kicked off the event with her opening speech. Ms Harpreet Kaur, was invited to give a talk on the Role of a Pharmacist in Dengue Education and Management & The Importance of Prescriptions in the Prevention of Undetected Dengue Fever. There was also a talk on Dengue Awareness by Ms Wong Mei Teng of the Allied Against Dengue Team (AAD). Ms Vanitha, Ms Harpreet and Ms Wong were given appreciation tokens for their support and contribution.

MPS Perak and the AAD Team had two booths at this event. One booth was to distribute dengue kits, provide education and recruit dengue warriors while the 2nd booth was educate the public on prescription rights and the RUUF petition.

We would like to thank the volunteers from MPS Perak, Ms Vanitha Ramachandran, Ms Harpreet Kaur, Ms Yeong Lai Yeng, Mr James Khong, Ms Joanna, Ms Hah Hui Ling and Mr Cheah Soon Vee for their contribution in handling the public at the MPS/AAD booths and a special thanks once again to Mr Cheah Soon Vee of Caring for supporting the health screening with free test strips for glucose testing.



HAND HOLDING SESSION by JABATAN KASTAM DIRAJA MALAYSIA PERAK, 20 JULY 2016

On the 20th of July 2016, the Jabatan Kastam Diraja Malaysia, Perak conducted a hand holding session on GST related matters for the Pharmacy Sector. 15 pharmacist from Perak attended this event. The session covered the following topics "Taklimat Layanan GST Terhadap Sektor Healthcare" and "Taklimat Penghantaran Penyata & Pembayaran GST". The event was held at the Dewan Tan Sri Abdul Halil in Wisma Kastam

MALAYSIA DENGUE DAY 2016, 6 AUGUST 2016

The Malaysia Dengue Day 2016 Perak area was held in the morning of 6 August 2016 at was kicked-off at the Bercham Giant Hypermarket.

Walk and Clean – A Fight the Bite Walk at SJK © Guntong in Buntong, Perak: Participants walked and cleaned as they went along the pre-planned route. Little AAD flags were planted to identify locations that need to be cleaned up by local authorities.



PERSIDANGAN FARMASI PKD KINTA, 14 AUGUST 2016

The MPS Perak, YPC Chapter Chairman, Ms Sanggari Appathurai gave a short introduction to MPS and YPC, to 44 pharmacist at the Persidangan Farmasi PKD Kinta on 14 August 2016. The theme of the PKD Kinta Pharmacist Conference was Team Work Towards Excellence.



PERAK WORLD PHARMACIST DAY 2016, 25 SEPTEMBER 2016 (UPCOMING)

The MPS Perak and BPF Perak WPD team have been working hard to organize the best possible program and have had 3 meetings to date with the other stakeholders. The event has been planned for 25 September 2016 at Ipoh Parade from 11am to 8pm.



BPF NEWS : SIGNBOARD, CP LOGO, PHARMACIST STAMP

1. **CP Signboard** : Referring to the latest circular from MOH dated 16 June 2016 (KKM-55/208/001/01(16) Jld-5) , the guidelines for the CP signboard is to be followed strictly with effect from 1st Jan 2017.



2. **CP Logo** : Referring to the guideline KKM-600-19/5/14 (9), the new CP logo is as below. CP's are encouraged to use the logo. It is not a mandatory requirement.



3. Pharmacist Official Stamp : Referring to the circular from BPF Perak on 27 Julai 2016 ((2)JKN/Pk(CPF)02/13/02), below is the sample of the said stamp.

Signature

Nama, No Pendaftaran

Jawatan Ahli Farmasi

Tempat Bertugas

Updates

MPS Perak Members Whsaap Group

1. The whatsapp group was officially set up on 18 June 2016 and has 228 members. Kindly contact Ms Harpreet via whatsapp at 017 4456681 to be added in the group

RUUF Updates

1. The i-petition is currently at 14,863 signatures online and 3070 signatures manually; bringing the total to **17,933** signatures as of 17 August 2016.
2. MPS encourages all members to keep educating the public on the RUUF petition.
3. The petition will be submitted to the PM's office once we reach the goal of 20,000.

Upcoming Events

1. 25 September 2016 - World Pharmacist Day Perak @ Ipoh Parade from 11am to 8pm

YPC

1. The dynamic team of YPC Perak held their first meeting on 28 July 2016. More exciting updates to come soon.

Vacancies

1. Community Pharmacist / Century Pharmacy (Ipoh, Perak)/ Ms Lee at 012-5057983

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