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Family Medicine Commencement 2012

30th June 2012 : College of Medicine Building

**Celebrating
40 Years of
Post-graduate
FM Education:
A pictorial history**

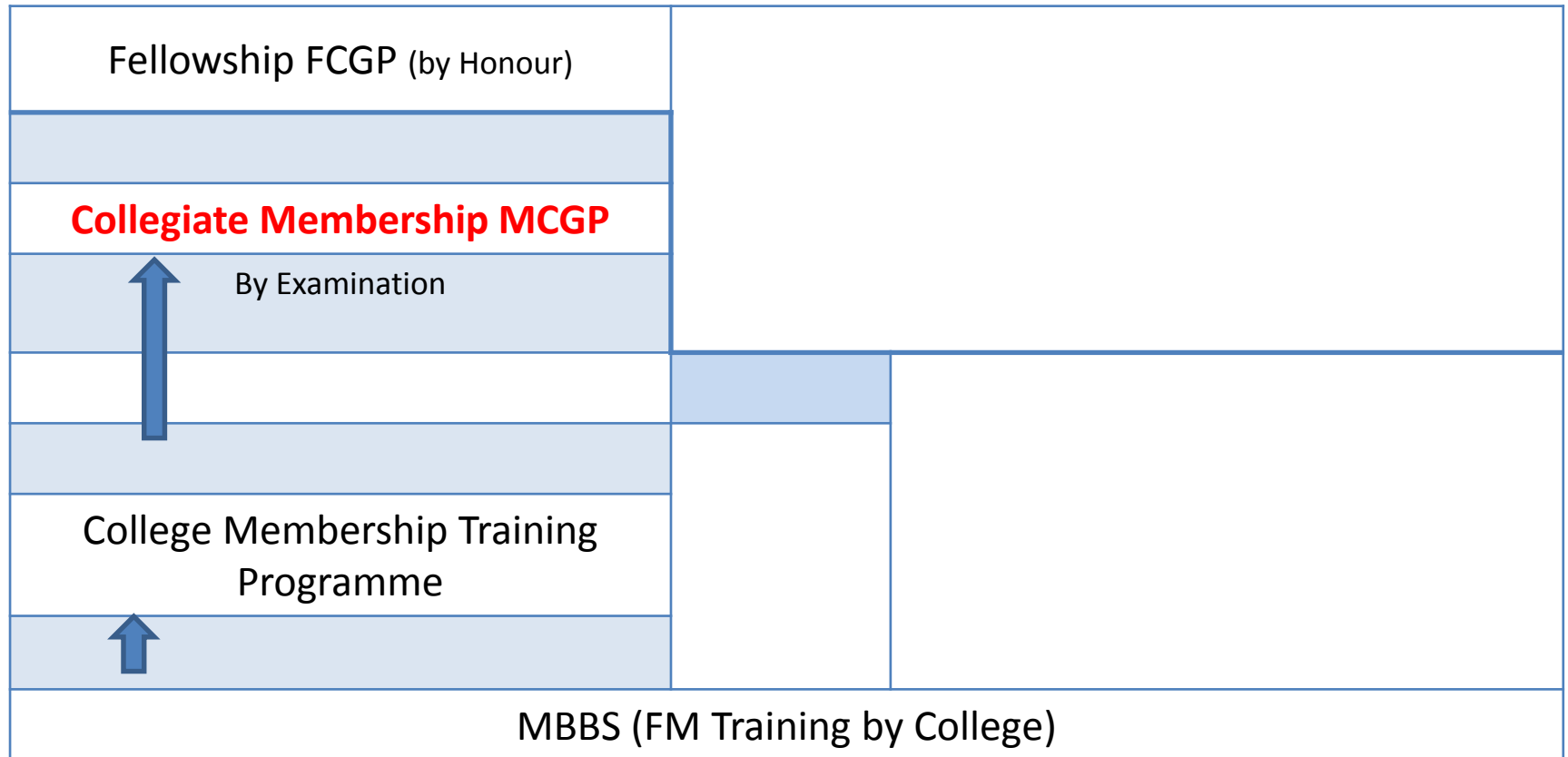
A/Prof. Cheong Pak Yean

MBBS MMed(Int Med) MRCP(UK) Dip FP Derm
FRCP FACP FAMS(IM) FCFPS
MSocSc (Professional Counselling)

40 years of FM Education

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1972 Membership of College of General Practitioners Singapore



Excerpt from College Annual Report 1972/73

To assist us in our first College Examination, in addition to our College examiners, we enlisted the help of our sister College and medical colleagues.

The Board of Examiners consisted of the following:

External Examiners

Prof. Seah Cheng Siang	Master Academy of Medicine Singapore
Prof. Wong Poi Kwong	Dean Faculty of Medicine University of Singapore
Dato (Dr.) Lim Kee Jin	Senior Malaysian Physician
Dr. Richard B. Geeves	Censor-in-chief Royal Australian College of GP
Dr. Wesley E. Fabb	Censor, Royal Australian College of GP

Internal Examiners

Dr. Evelyn Hanam	Censor College GP Singapore
Dr. B. R. Sreenivasan	Founder President, College GP Singapore
Dr. Wong Kum Hoong	Censor-in-chief College GP Singapore

Seventeen candidates sat for the first College Examination and seven passed. They were:

Dr. Chang Ming Yu, James
Dr. Chin Keng Huat, Richard
Dr. Foo Choong Khean
Dr. Ho Leong Kit
Dr. Samuel, Frederick
Dr. Tan Swee Teck, Michael
Dr. Yoong Foh Yan

The standards were high.

Only 7 of the 17 candidates who sat for the examination passed

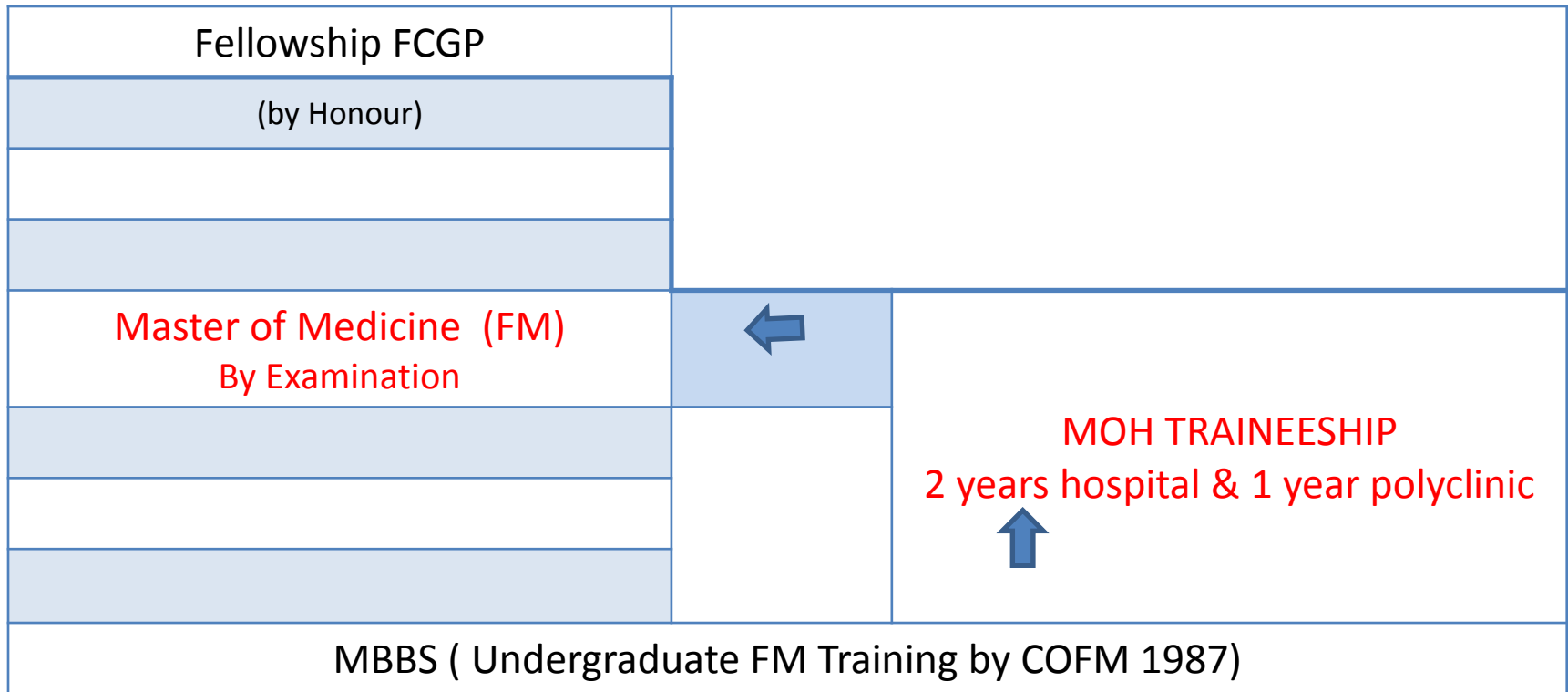
(Commentary inserted).

The standard attained was acceptable by all the examiners and officially the R.A.C.G.P. examiners said that the candidates who have passed the first College Examination would have passed the M.R.A.C.G.P. Examination.

The 3rd decade of FM Training Programmes

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1990 MMed(FM) Programme started



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CENSORS

1 April 1993 to 31 March 1994

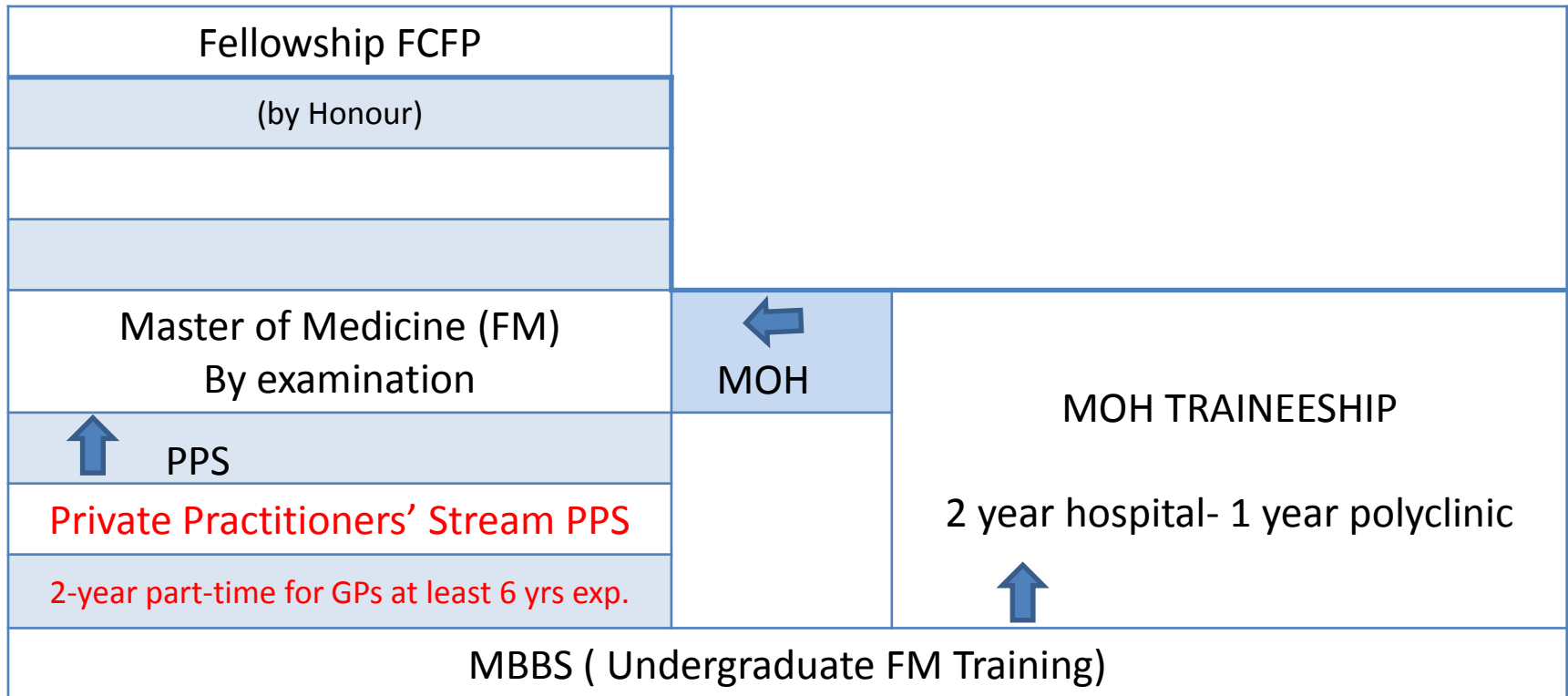
Censor-in-Chief : Dr Goh Lee Gan
Members : Dr James Chang Ming Yu
Dr Lim Kim Leong

3 FIRST M.MED (FAMILY MEDICINE) EXAMINATION

The first M.Med (Family Medicine) examination was held from 12 July 1993 to 18 July 1993. Seventeen (17) candidates sat and nine (9) were successful. They are :

Dr Chan Beng Leong
Dr Ee Guan Liang, Adrian
Dr Kurup, Bina
Dr Liao Kian Huat
Dr Lim Hock Kuang, David
Dr Low Mun Heng, Gerard
Dr Murugasu, Deirdre
Dr Ng Chee Lian, Lawrence
Dr Swah Teck Sin

1995 MMed(FM) Private Practitioners' Stream started



27 Sept 1997 Straits Time report

No frogs in the well — doctors go back to school



A child psychiatrist in private practice discussing a case study with a group of part-time Masters of Family Medicine students.

One-page feature in "The Straits Times" Sept 27, 1996, Life At Large section. The above published photo was captioned "A child psychiatrist in private practice discussing a case study with a group of part-time Masters of Family Medicine students."



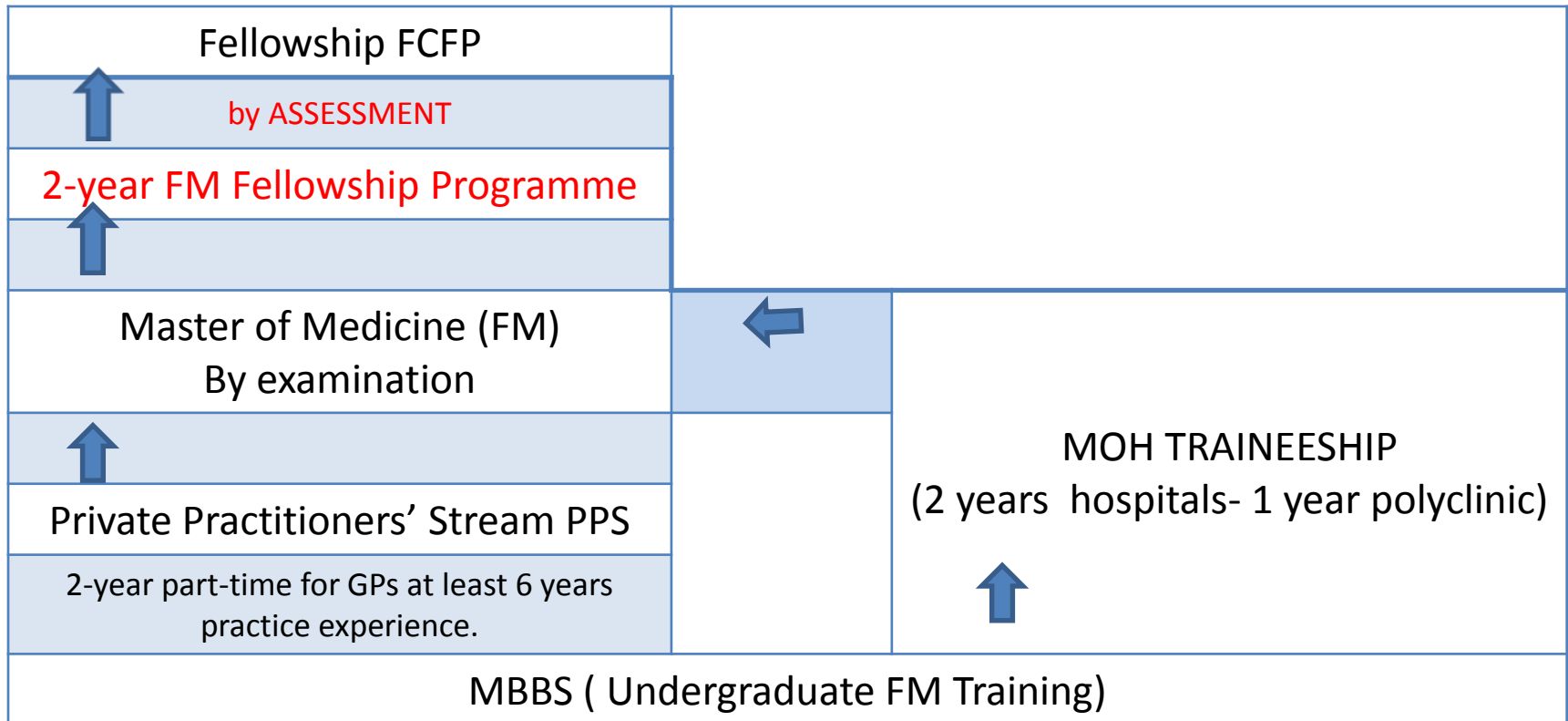
The tutorials and clinical sessions attracted many doctors to the centre.



Dr Thirumorthy, dermatologist demonstrating skin signs on patients brought by the trainees.



1998 Fellowship by Assessment Programme started. (previously Fellowship awarded only by honour)



Official opening of the Graduate Family Medicine Centre at 76 Jln Jurong Kechil & inauguration of College Fellowship by Assessment Programme 9 October 1998



Excerpts from College Annual Report 2000

by Dr Lau Hong Choon Censor-in-Chief (now Director Manpower MOH)

1 INTRODUCTION

2000/2001 was a historic year of firsts in the academic history of the College. It saw the launch of the first Graduate Diploma Of Family Medicine (GDFM) programme, as well as the successful exit of the first batch of Fellows by Assessment. The Council also approved the Family Medicine Fellowship Programme (Aged Care).

4 THE FIRST COHORT OF FELLOWS BY ASSESSMENT

The first batch of Fellows by assessment were assessed to have completed their programme after successfully traversing the final hurdle, the panel of interviewers for the exit interview on 16 September 2000. The Exit Panel consisted of an external interviewer, Prof Wes Fabb, A/Prof Goh Lee Gan, Dr Alfred Loh, immediate past President and Dr Lau Hong Choon, Censor-in-Chief. The assessment of the interview panel was that these doctors were worthy of the conferment of the FCFPS by virtue of their achievements and diligence in completing the two-year programme. The fellowship programme was rigorous as it was structured to ensure discipline in completing case studies and to show proof of excellent practice. The successful Fellows were:

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|----|--------------------------|----|-------------------|
| 1. | Dr Goh Soo Chye, Paul | 5. | Dr Ong Chooi Peng |
| 2. | Dr Kwan Yew Seng | 6. | Dr Tan Chee Beng |
| 3. | Dr Lee Kheng Hock | 7. | Dr Siaw Tung Yeng |
| 4. | Dr Lim Lee Kiang, Julian | 8. | Dr Swah Teck Sin |

They will be receiving their conferment during the College's 30th anniversary celebrations and Scientific Meeting in year 2001.

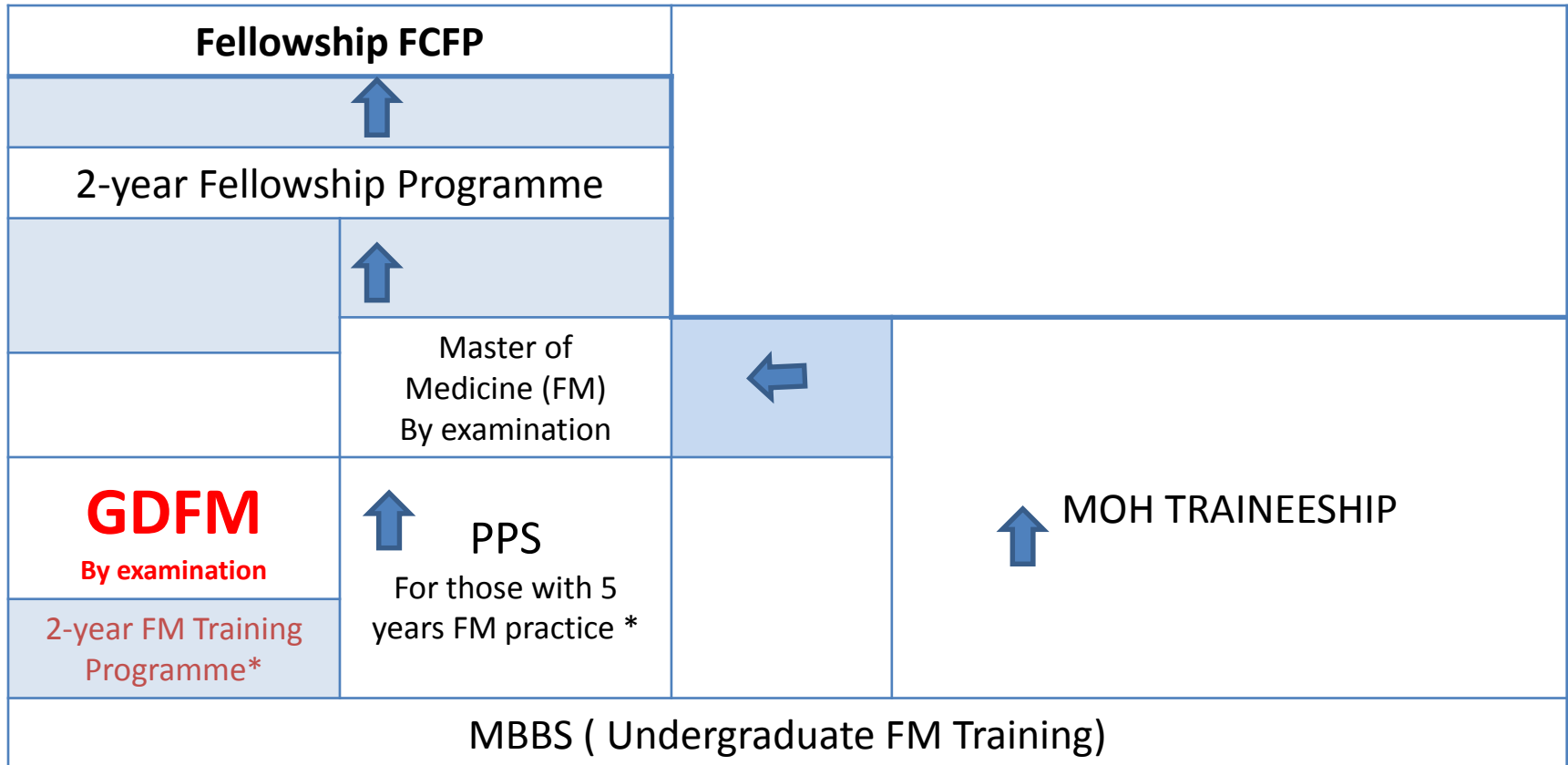
1st batch Fellows by Assessment 2000



New Fellows
Not in picture:
Ong Chooi Peng
Swah Teck Sin

Standing: New Fellows Drs Lee Kheng Hock, Goh Soo Chye, Paul, Lim Lee Kiang, Julian, Siaw Tung Yeng, Kwan Yew Seng, Tan Chee Beng (Insert on right)
Seated: A/Prof Goh Lee Gan, Dr Wong Heck Sing, A/Prof Cheong Pak Yean, Dr Arthur Tan, Dr Lau Hong Choon

2000 Graduate Diploma FM Programme started



* The FM core of 8 modules plus developed for GDFM wa scommon to all 3 programmes

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3 THE FIRST GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF FAMILY MEDICINE (GDFM) PROGRAMME

The GDFM was officially launched on 1 July 2000. The Guest of Honour was DMS Prof Tan Chor Chuan. VIP guests include Mr Tan Tee How, CEO, NHG, Dr Lam Sian Lian, Chairman of the Family Medicine Committee, Dr Lim Kim Leong, past Censor-in-Chief, Dr Ling Sing Lin, DDMS (Elderly Care and Continuing Care), Dr Agnes Tan, Director Manpower, Singhealth, Dr Shanta Emmanuel NHG Polyclinics CEO and Dr Paul Goh, Singhealth Polyclinics CEO. Many of the guests present were instrumental in the development of Family Medicine.

However what belies the significance of the event was that the College had begun to bridge the academic gap among GPs and medical officers. It has been recognised that the MMed (Family Medicine) may not address the general needs of busy GPs and medical officers who may not have the time or intention to pursue the more arduous

Masters Programme but nevertheless are able to take a useful Family Medicine Programme leading to a diploma.

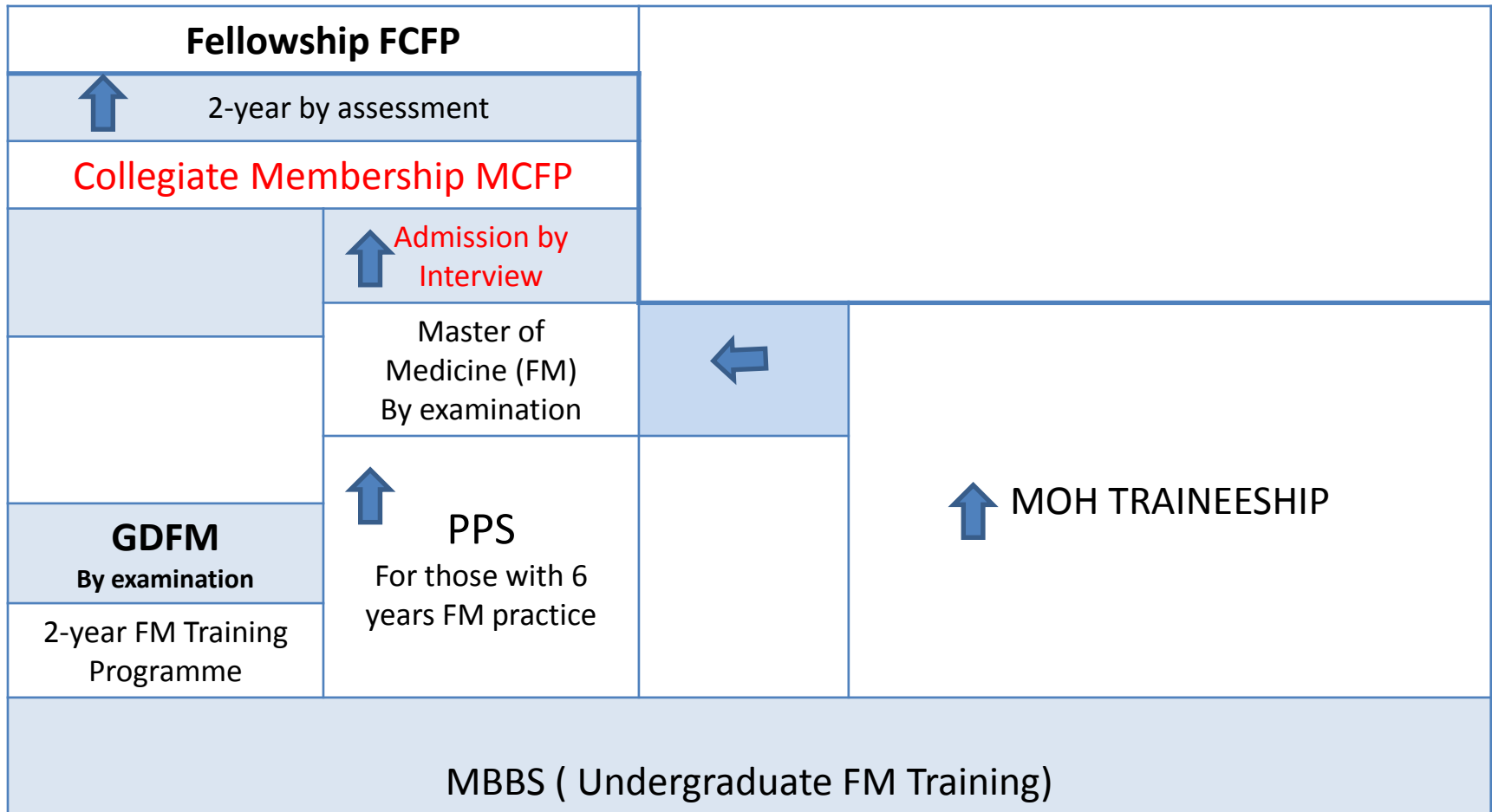
The programme started with 28 tutors with the MMed (FM) qualification and 48 "trainees". It was led by A/Prof Cheong Pak Yean, Director of the programme with A/Prof Goh Lee Gan as a key advisor and contributor. The structure and components of the GDFM was reported in the previous Censors' Report. All the tutors underwent a 'Train-the-Trainer' programme to familiarise themselves with the programme. They were then linked with their trainees. During the launch of the programme, the trainees were paired with their respective trainers.

1st batch of GDFM 2002



2001 Collegiate Membership MCFP revived (by interview)

last collegiate membership awarded 1992



1st batch MCFP by Interview 2001

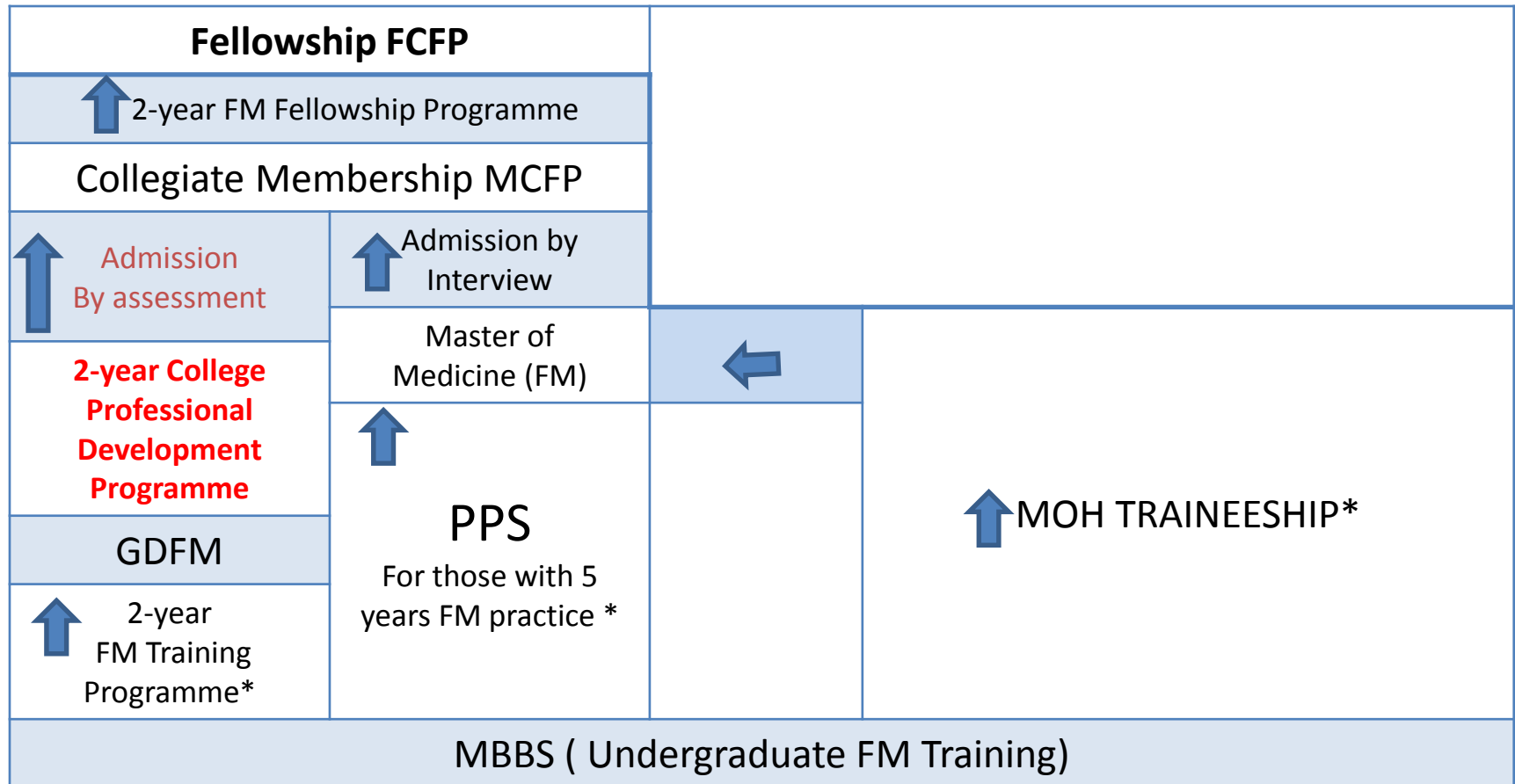


The 4th decade of FM Training Programmes

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2004 MCFP by assessment from GDFM

alternative path to collegiate membership started



* The FM core of 8 modules plus developed for GDFM is common to all 3 programmes

Excerpts from 2006/2007 Annual Report

THE AWARD OF MCFP(S) BY ASSESSMENT

In 2006, nine candidates successfully completed the MCFP(S) by Assessment Programme.

In line with international standards of awarding professional membership by objective assessments and validation, the MCFP(s) by Assessment Programme was introduced to encourage members to participate in objective and structured professional development activities. It comprises structured training, formative and summative assessments. The two-year programme consists of a course of three modules, each with a summative assessment.

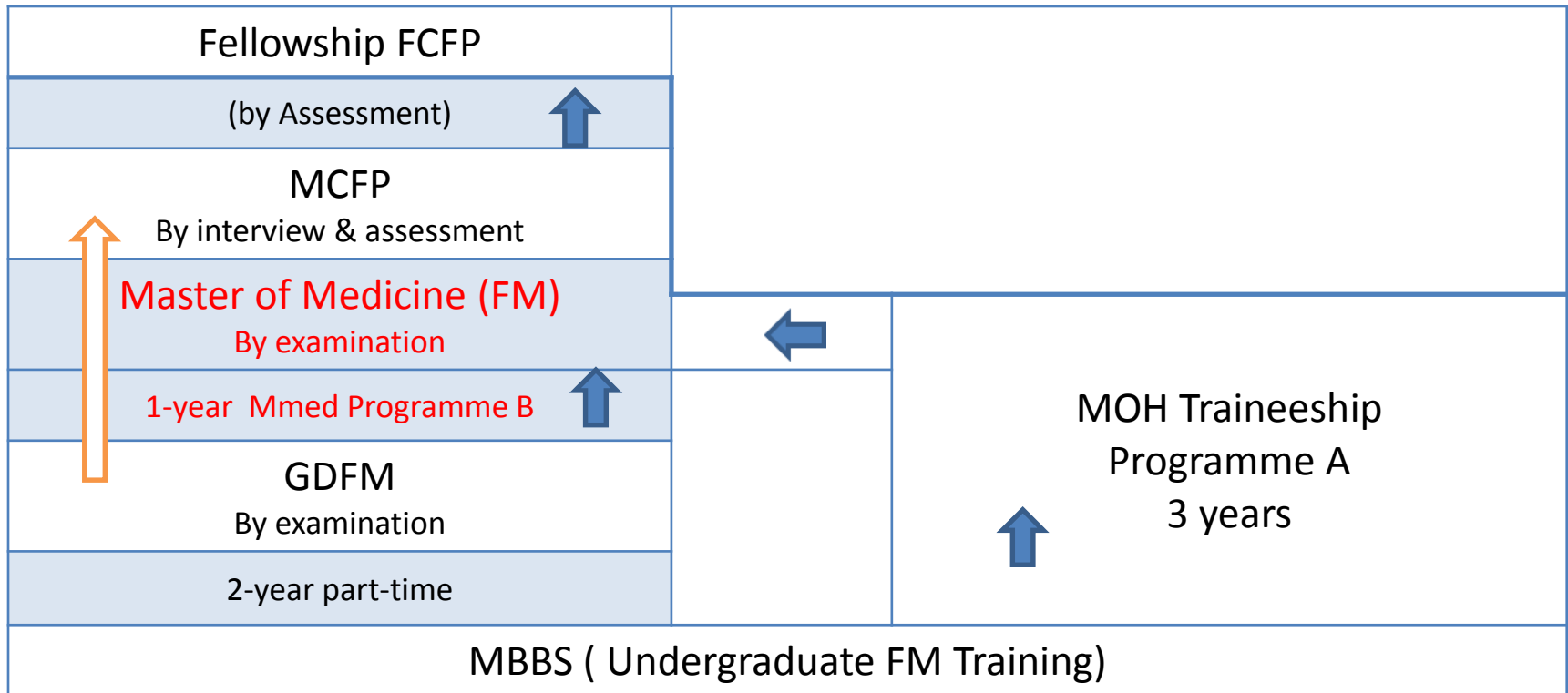
The following successful candidates were awarded the MCFP(S) by Assessment:

1. Dr Aw Lee Fhoon Lily
2. Dr Leong Choon Kit
3. Dr Long Mei Ling
4. Dr See Toh Kwok Yee
5. Dr Soh Soon Beng
6. Dr Tham Tat Yean
7. Dr Wong Ern Ling Helena
8. Dr Wong Tien Hua
9. Dr Yap Soo Kor Jason

MCFP by assessment & interview 2006



2006 1-year MMed (FM) Programme from GDFM started to replace the 2-year direct programme



Graduate
Family Medicine Centre
Master Of Medicine (Family Medicine)
Graduates

1995

Dr Julian Lim

1996

Dr Serene Ang

Dr Lok Ying Fang

1997

Dr Lim Liang Boon

Dr Lawrence Soh

Dr Yu Wai Hong

Dr Wong See Hong

Dr Lucerne Tan

Dr Low Sze Sen

1998

Dr Matthew Ng

Dr Shivcharan Kaur Gill

Dr Tan See Leng

Dr Moira Goh

Dr Kang Aik Kiang

Dr Mark Low

1999

Dr Chong Chun Hon

Dr Kan Siew Yong

Dr Loke Kam Weng

Dr Jonathan Phang

Dr Tan Kee Wang

2000

Dr Chin Yew Liang

Dr Koh Kheng Keah

Dr Kwong Kum Hoong

Dr Lee Soon Seng

Dr Seah Seng Heang

Dr Wong Tack Keong

2001

Dr Kala Kanagasabai

Dr Charlotte Yung

Dr Marie Stella P Cruz

Graduate
Family Medicine Centre
Master of Medicine (Family Medicine)
Graduates

2002

CHIA KIAN CHUA

LEE SUEH YING, PATRICIA

SEOW HOONG WEI, GABRIEL

SURENDRAN BASKARAN

TAN BENG TECK

TAN GUAN YU, JEFF

WEE CHEE CHAU

WONG TED MIN, EDWARD

YEE JENN JET, MICHAEL

2003

WONG MUN CHONG

CHEW SZE MUN

GOH TIONG JIN

HO MAY SAN, KAREN

LEE CHIEW

TONG JIA JONG, STEPHEN

2004

WU MING-JARK, BASIL

YEO WEE SHUNG, YEHUDI

GOH LAY HOON

GOH YANN PBOR

MEENA SUNDRAM

SIEW CHEE WENG

TAN YEW SENG

2005

LIM CHIEN WEI

IRIS LONG

RUKSHINI PUVANENDRAN

SHARON KAUR

TAN KIM KIAT

YONG MOLLY

2006

AZMAN OSMAN

CHONG TSUNG WEI

LEE MUN TUCK

LOW CHENG HONG, CHARITY

61 GPs obtained their MMed(FM) through the two-year PPS programme which ended in 2005.

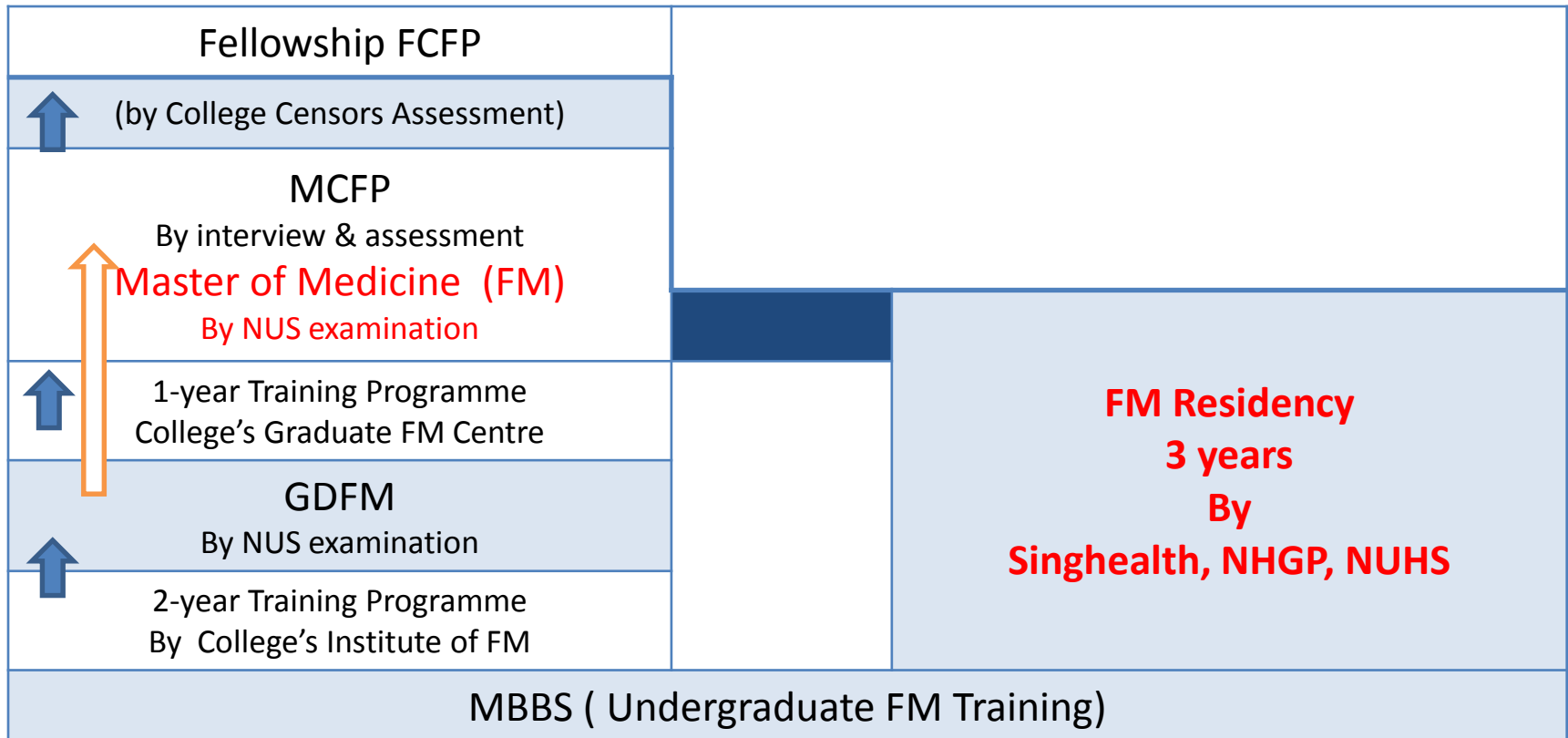
In 2006, the two-year PPS Private Practitioners' Stream was replaced by Program B - the one-year programme from GDFM

Programme B accounted for one-third (31) of the total (104) who obtained MMed(FM) since 2006.



2011/12 Cohort of MMed(FM) trainees

2011 FM Residency



Residency Programme 2011

3 Centres viz. Singhealth, NHG & NUHS



NUHS Residency Programme 2011 Faculty & Residents

Forty years of strategic development ..

- For the first 2 decades, the **Collegiate membership** was the academic standard.
- The third decade saw the development of the **MMed(FM)** programme for both public and private sectors doctors, the **Fellowship** by assessment & the **Graduate diploma (GDFM)** programme. The **Collegiate membership (by interview)** was also revived.
- In the last ten years, an alternative path to **Collegiate membership from GDFM by assessment** was instituted, a 1-year programme to **MMed(FM) from GDFM** started and in the public sector, a 3-year **residency programme** was inaugurated.

From Training to Service ...

SECTION 2: FAMILY MEDICINE DEFINED

A. The discipline of Family Medicine is defined as a discipline with expertise in the following six elements of care in the context of the patient, family and society:

- Personal care,
- Primary care (first contact) care,
- Preventive care,
- Comprehensive care,
- Continuing care, and
- Co-ordinated care.

As of 31st March 2012

Fellows 115

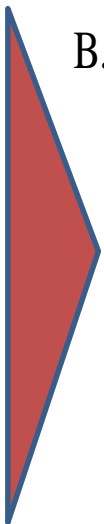
Collegiate Members 194

MMed(FM) 350

GDFM 583

B. The settings for the practice of Family Medicine can be in one or more of the following:

- Ambulatory care in the community,
- Intermediate care in the community hospitals and rehabilitation centres,
- Long term care in the nursing home, residential care, and home based care,
- Hospice and home based end-stage diseases care
- Interface care which is care within acute hospitals in the interface with the other settings



Ambulatory Care



Polyclinics
SingHealth



FPS

RafflesMedicalGroup



St Luke's Hospital (SLH)

Intermediate care - Community Hospital



Half of the 18 SLH doctors are trained family physicians. 7 possess both the MMed (FM) and Fellowship of the College.- one other only the MMed(FM) and the other GDFM.

A/Prof Tan Boon Yeow FCFPS, the medical director and senior consultant of SLH is also Censor-in-Chief of the College of Family Physicians.

Bethany Methodist Nursing Home

300 bed long-term care (Cat 3 & 4)

Long term Care - Nursing Home



Prof Goh LG, FCFPS, medical director &
Dr Marie Cruz FCFPS Consultant physician doing ward rounds.

Assisi Hospice

Hospice & Home end-stage disease care



Case Conference in Assisi Hospice chaired by its director Dr Tan Yew Seng FCFPS
presenter: Dr Komal Tewani MMed(FM) Palliative Med Registrar

Clinical Director, Dr Tan Yew Seng Mmed(FM) FCFPS &
Dr Komal Tewani Mmed(FM) Palliative Registrar NCC in case conference.

2007: Implementation of a hospitalist care model

In-patient & Transitional Care - Restructured hospital



- 34 Bed inpatient unit using the adapted hospitalist model of care
- General medical care
- Integrated care case conferences
- Multidisciplinary rounds and approach
- Dedicated integrated care nurse
- Focus on discharge planning
- Focus of collaboration with community care partners



Lead the Future of Healthcare

1 Patient experience

2 New hospitals

3 Integrated blocks

Discover exciting new opportunities in integrated healthcare

JurongHealth is Singapore's public healthcare cluster formed to facilitate the integration of services and care processes within the hospital and across the community for the healthcare needs in the West. Working with partners and other healthcare providers, we aim to transform care and bring health and wellness one step closer to home.

JurongHealth is building the integrated healthcare hub comprising Ng Teng Fong General Hospital and Jurong Community Hospital to

provide holistic care for patients. Slated for completion in 2014 and early 2015 respectively, the hospitals will be an integral part of the Jurong Lake District Masterplan with easy access to public transport and retail / entertainment facilities. JurongHealth is currently operating Alexandra Hospital and Jurong Medical Centre with a comprehensive range of clinical services for the community.

"At JurongHealth, we are building the Ng Teng Fong General Hospital and Jurong Community Hospital side by side. This gives us the opportunity to provide joint care between the teams, overseeing patient care from acute to transitional settings and finally integrating the patients back into the community."

*Dr Chua Chi Siong
Medical Director*



Jurong Community Hospital (JCH) has set up a Transitional Care Unit in Alexandra Hospital. The unit will manage patients who require rehabilitation and sub-acute care. It will also pilot care integration processes and workflows.

If you would like to pioneer the future of integrated care, have a heart to serve and dare to take bold steps to transform care, we want to hear from you!

CONSULTANT FAMILY PHYSICIANS / SENIOR FAMILY PHYSICIANS / RESIDENT PHYSICIANS

You will be part of a multi-disciplinary team that provides holistic care to patients. You will work closely with specialists in the management of patients in a transitional care setting to ensure continuity of care and optimal patient outcome. You will also work closely with GPs, polyclinics, nursing homes and home care providers to facilitate and enable a smooth transition of patients back to their home and community.

REQUIREMENTS

- Basic Medical Degree registrable with the Singapore Medical Council
- Completed post-graduate training (Fellow of College of Family Physicians Singapore or with qualification registrable with Singapore Specialist Accreditation Board)
- Possess leadership qualities along with high interpersonal relationship and communication skills
- Experience in working in intermediate and long term care settings will be an advantage

HOW YOU CAN APPLY

We offer a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package that will commensurate with your qualifications and experience.

Please write in with your full resume including personal particulars, names of 2 referees, professional qualifications, career history, contact details and expected salary together with medical testimonials and certificate of registration to:

Medical Director
Jurong Community Hospital (Alexandra Hospital)
378 Alexandra Road
Singapore 159964
Email: medicalcareer@juronghealth.com.sg

For more information on Jurong Health Services, visit us at www.juronghealth.com.sg
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We regret that only shortlisted candidates will be notified.

Family Medicine: The future Of Integrated Care

"Completed post-graduate training (Fellow of the College of Family Physicians or with qualification registrable with Singapore Specialist Accreditation Board.)"

Advertisement in
SMA-News
May 2012



The Challenge ahead

- Successive generations of family physicians have over 4 decades built the present system of training.
- Trained family physicians, now accredited in the Family Physician Register inaugurated in 2012, are serving across the spectrum of care settings to provide ambulatory, intermediate, interface and long-term care to our people.
- The challenge ahead is to further train and recognize family physicians who have demonstrated clinical expertise in these care settings.