

Annual report of Chapter of Child Neurology and Developmental Paediatrics(CCNDP) 2013/2014

1. Executive committee members for the 2012/2014 term.

Chairman: Dr Mohd Feizel Alsiddiq

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Committee members: Dr Alex Khoo Peng Chuan

Dr Tay Chee Giap

Dr Rajini Sarvanathan

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Dr Ranjini Sivanesom

Professor Ong Lai Choo (Co-opted)

Dr Khoo Teik Beng (Co-opted)

Assoc Prof Wong Sau Wei (Co-opted)

2. Monthly Child Neurology Teach-in

CCNDP continues with its monthly CME sessions discussing various clinical cases relating to neurology , developmental paediatrics, neurogenetics and neurometabolic disorders. The venues for these monthly CMEs are rotated between Institute Paediatrics, Hospital Kuala Lumpur, UMMC , PPUKM and Hospital Serdang/UPM. The attendees are Paediatric Neurologists, Developmental Paediatricians, Clinical Geneticists, Fellows and Medical Officers from Klang Valley.

These teach-in have been successfully conducted using teleconferencing facilities with Paediatric Neurologists in Hospital Universiti Sains Malaysia(HUSM),Kelantan and concurrently via skype with other paediatric neurologists in the country.

3. Annual Paediatric Neurology Update 2013 and MRCPCH mini mock examinations

Organised the annual Paediatric Neurology Update 2013 at Hospital Raja Perempuan Bainun, Ipoh, Perak from 27th September 2013- 29th September 2013. The theme was “ Making a Difference” with the objective of highlighting the various aspects of clinical evaluation and management within neurology and developmental paediatrics which may potentially lead to a favorable outcome in patient care. It was well attended by 184 participants from across the country.

A 1-day mock examination for MRCPCH was held on Friday, 27th September 2013 consisted of lectures on approach to neurological cases in MRCPCH and postgraduate developmental assessment skills. This was followed by hands-on bedside clinical teaching sessions for neurological cases and developmental assessment for 30 paediatric trainees who were eligible to sit for their Part 2b MRCPCH.

4. Annual general Meeting of CCNDP

The AGM held concurrently with the Paediatric Neurology Update 2013 was on 28th September 2013 in Ipoh and was attended by approximately 20 members of the chapter.

Several matters on subspeciality training, National Specialist Register, returning of foreign-trained physicians, CMEs and ongoing research collaborations were discussed. The AGM has also agreed to officially submit a bid for the Asian and Oceania Child Neurology Association Congress in 2019 to be held in Malaysia. It was last hosted in Penang about 16 years ago.

5. Postgraduate course on paediatric neurology 2014

Jointly organized this 2 day course with the Department of Paediatrics, Faculty of Medicine, University Malaya Medical Centre at the Auditorium, Menara Selatan, University Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC) from 28th November until 29th November 2013. Several local speakers and two international speakers were invited who include Professor Andrew Kornberg and Dr Simon Harvey from the Royal Children Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. It was well attended by 140 participants including a few physicians from India, Indonesia and Thailand.

6. The CCNDP- MSN Travel Education Grant Awardees

2013 :

1. Dr Tajul Ariffin, a paediatric neurologist from hospital Sultan Ismail, Johor Bharu presented a poster during the 12th Asian and Oceanian Congress of child neurology in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 8-12th September 2013

2. Dr Vigneswari Ganesan, a paediatric Neurologist from Penang General Hospital presented a poster during the Asian and Oceanian Congress of Child Neurology in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 8th – 12th September 2013

2014:

1. Assoc Prof Fong Choong Yi, Paediatric Neurologist from UMMC presenting a poster entitled “ Electroclinical features of epilepsy following neonatal hypoglycaemia” during the Infantile Seizure Society Congress , Cappadocia, Turkey from 22nd June until 25th June 2014
2. Dr Alex Khoo , Paediatric Neurologist from Hospital Raja Perempuan Bainun, Ipoh, Perak presented a poster entitled “ROHHAD: Rapid onset obesity and the idiopathic hypothalamic syndrome in children “ during the International Child Neurology Congress, Brazil 4th -9th May 2014

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