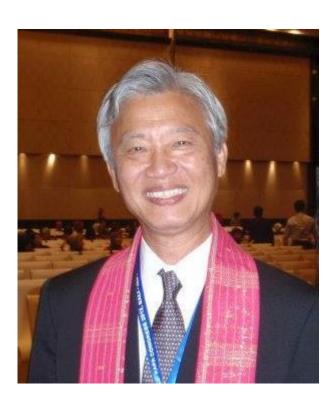


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Welcome to the FAPA Family Biggest Biennial Reunion

2016 FAPA Congress 11/08~13, BITEC, Bangkok, Thailand



Dear Colleagues and Friends from IPA,

On behalf Federation of Asian Pharmaceutical Associations (FAPA), in representing our 18 member associations around Asia, I thank you for IPA's invitation for this article to address to our pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists in India. I've inaugurated since last FAPA Congress in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia (which was also 50th anniversary celebration of FAPA, in 2014) and together with our FAPA Bureau, Sections, and Council we've achieved a lot for the past years in our term. I am proud to share with you since IPA is also our strongest member in FAPA, and our achievement is also IPA's achievement.



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14th FAPA Bureau in the 1st FAPA Bureau Meeting, 2015.

In my inauguration speech, I shared my three targets to all the congress participants as we open a new decade for FAPA. The first is, we will make FAPA – Bigger! Second, we will make FAPA – Better! And third, we will make FAPA – Stronger! Together with our FAPA family, I believe we've achieved much progress in witnessing all these happening.



President Joseph Wang's inauguration ceremony at the Gala Banquet of 2014 FAPA Congress, in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

For being a bigger FAPA, in this year FAPA Congress (2016 FAPA Congress in Bangkok, Thailand), we will welcome three full FAPA new members and one observer to join in FAPA. You must witness and welcome them joining in our FAPA family in the Opening Ceremony of 2016 FAPA Congress!



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2015 4th GPP International Training Programme (all trainees) at Taipei Veterans General Hospital

For being a better FAPA, our FAPA Foundation keeps hosting Good Pharmacy Practice international training programme for the 5th years, and we've trained nearly 100 Asian pharmacists from around 20 countries; furthermore, we also hosted Community Pharmacy Workshop in Fukuoka, Japan and invited member associations to join in the community pharmacy fieldtrips, which 10 member associations joint with us this year.



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2016 1st FAPA Community Pharmacy Workshop in Fukuoka, Japan

For being a stronger FAPA, we've officially visited WHO-WPRO, and WHO-EMRO since last year; and we also have many communication with WHO-SEARO; we've not only contacted those WHO regional offices, we also proposed and hosted Antimicrobial Resistance Campaign in echoing WHO's Antibiotic Awareness Week (2015), which we've invited all FAPA member and presidents to join in the seminar held in last September (Manila, Philippines) and we all signed on the commitment to fight against antimicrobial resistance; Other FAPA campaigns, including Twibbon® campaign, 4-frame Comic Competition and etc, were all successfully supported by our member associations, including IPA.



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2016 President Joseph Wang visited Dr. Marthe Everard (Coordinator, Team of Essential Medicines and Health Technologies, Department of Health System Development), Regional Office of the Eastern Mediterranean, World Health Organization



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FAPA Leader's Meeting in the Fight against Antimicrobial Resistance: A Committeemen to Action attended (September 12th, 2015)



President Rao Vadlamudi (IPA) signed on the commitment board and presented his own version of commitment to action holding in his hand! (2015)



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Dear colleagues and friends from India, we can't achieve these all mentioned above without your awareness and strong support. To promote pharmacy profession, while we are discussing Good Pharmacy Practice (GPP) and also Separation of Dispensing and Prescribing, we cannot ignore professional development in community pharmacies and keep improving our professional practicing for our community pharmacists! Moreover, while we are participating in combating with the prevalent non-communicable diseases (NCD), the role of pharmacists, especially in the community pharmacy, we cannot overemphasize the importance and crucial key role.





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We sincerely appreciate of your hard efforts and contribution to the community pharmacy professional development, especially of having such high-quality e-bulletin provided for all pharmacists around India. We urge you together with FAPA to work for a bright future for pharmacy! You surely cannot miss this year FAPA Congress (Bangkok, Thailand; www.fapa2016.com), and the early-bird registration will soon be closed by the end of this month (July 31st; however, you could also consider group registration, with special early-bird registration fee and extension deadline until the end of August 31st). We look forward to seeing you in person very soon. With FAPA, we will be bigger! With FAPA, we will be better! With FAPA, we will be stronger! Joint us and let's work together.

Sincerely,

President of FAPA (2015~2018)