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To all registered medical practitioners

## COMPULSORY CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) ON MEDICAL ETHICS

SMC had informed all registered doctors via a circular in May 2023 and an article published in the SMC Newsletter in November 2022, that they must acquire the Mandatory Medical Ethics (MME) CME core points before they can renew their Practising Certificate (PC) from 2026 onwards. Please refer to the circular [here](#) and the newsletter article [here](#).

2. Doctors who have renewed their PCs from 1 January 2024 and who are holding a 2-year PC may **begin acquiring** the MME CME core points from 1 January 2024. Doctors whose PCs are expiring on 31 December 2024 may begin to acquire the points from 1 January 2025. You may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions on SMC's website [here](#).

3. The Mandatory Medical Ethics<sup>1</sup> programmes and activities will be conducted by the three medical Professional Bodies (PBs), i.e. the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS), College of Family Physicians Singapore (CFPS) and Singapore Medical Association (SMA). Doctors who are not members of AMS, CFPS or SMA can participate in their Medical Ethics programmes as these three PBs offer their programmes to all doctors regardless of membership. You may sign up and participate in Medical Ethics programmes and activities of your interest via the following websites:

- <https://www.ams.edu.sg/continuing-professional-development/calendar-of-cme-cpd-events>
- <https://www.cfps.org.sg/cme/ethics-cme/>
- <https://www.smacmep.org.sg/cms/online-programmes/mme-cme/> / <https://smacmep.org.sg/events-calendar>

4. Doctors may also search for Medical Ethics events conducted by these CME providers at SMC's website at [CPE Medical Ethics Events Search](#).

Thank you.

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Prof Chee Yam Cheng  
President  
Singapore Medical Council

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<sup>1</sup> Only Medical Ethics programmes and activities conducted by the three medical PBs will be awarded Medical Ethics **Core** points. Medical Ethics programmes conducted by other CME Providers (if approved) will be accredited **non-core** CME points.