



# SINGAPORE MEDICAL COUNCIL

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## PRESS RELEASE

### NEW PRESIDENT APPOINTED FOR THE SINGAPORE MEDICAL COUNCIL

1. Professor Tan Ser Kiat, Group Chief Executive Officer of SingHealth Services, took over the reins as President of the Singapore Medical Council (SMC) from Professor Ong Yong Yau on 19 October 2010. Prof Ong stepped down as President of the SMC, after being at the helm for more than 2 years.
2. As President, Prof Ong had dedicated much time and energy into guiding the Singapore Medical Council and achieving many changes, including the Amendments to the Medical Registration Act 2010, which were passed during his tenure. The SMC and the Ministry of Health would like to thank Prof Ong for his able leadership and contributions.
3. Prof Tan, an orthopaedic surgeon by training and a medical practitioner of more than 38 years, was elected by the Council as the new President of the SMC on 18<sup>th</sup> October for a three-year term.
4. In his word of thanks to the Council for its support during his term, Prof Ong said that he is reassured that he would be passing on the baton to good hands, as the Council had many talents and people of good abilities. Prof Ong will continue his term as Council member of SMC until his current term ends on 5 November 2010.

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