



Primary Trauma Care (Myanmar) Progress Report for December 2011

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Pictures from the PTC MM - December 2011



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Date : December 7th ~ 12th 2011

Programme : 17th PTC (MM) Programme

International Faculty

1	Dr Tsun Woon Lee	HK	Course Director
2	Dr James Kong	HK	Program Director, International
3	Dr Georgina Phillips	AUS	
4	Dr Haydn Perndt	AUS	

Local Faculty (in Mandalay & Naypyitaw*)

1	Dr Zaw Min Han	MDY	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Supervisor
2	Dr Aung Myo	MDY	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Supervisor
3	Dr Myint Oo	MDY	GP	Supervisor
4	Dr Ni Ni Aye	MDY	Anaesthesia	Supervisor
5	Dr Vijay Kumar*	YGN	GP	Supervisor
6	Dr Aung Maw*	YGN	GP	Supervisor
7	Dr Saw Hpone Ni*	YGN	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Supervisor
8	Dr Maw Maw Oo*	YGN	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Supervisor
9	Dr Kyaw Min*	YGN	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Instructor
10	Dr Aung Pyi Soe*	YGN	GP	Instructor
11	Dr Aung Thar Oo*	YGN	GP	Instructor

Myanmar Medical (Association) Senior Executives (in Mandalay & Naypyitaw*)

1	Professor Maung Maung Htwe	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Mandalay
2	Professor Aung Mra	Paediatric Surgeon	Mandalay
3	Professor Zoe Wei Soe	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Yangon
4	Associate Prof. Dr Nyo Htwe*	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Naypyitaw

Course Program (in Mandalay & Naypyitaw*)

Dec 7 th	Instructors' Course	Mandalay MMA HQ	International	14
Dec 8 th ~ 9 th	Providers' Course	Mandalay MMA HQ	International + Local (MDY)	24
Dec 10 th ~ 11 th	Providers' Course	Mandalay MMA HQ	Local (MDY)	24
Dec 10 th ~ 11 th	Providers' Course	Naypyidaw 1000 bed Hospital	International + Local (YGN)	31
Dec 12 th	Review & Wrap-up	MMA, Yangon	International + Local supervisors	8

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Introduction

Meeting with MMA Senior Executives (Dec 6th 2011).

Dr Georgina Philips and Dr Haydn Perndt arrived ahead of Dr Tsun Woon Lee & Dr James Kong in Yangon. A preliminary planning meeting was conducted between Drs Vijay Kumar & Aung Maw and them in regards to the program for the Naypyitaw course. On that same evening, after the arrival of the HK team, there was a dinner meeting with the MMA senior executives. The team were briefed that the MMA had been asked to assist with the mass casualty and emergency assistance program that may be needed during the forthcoming SEA Games in December 2013. The Games will be conducted in a number of venues including Yangon, Naypyitaw and Mandalay. The plans by the MMA involve the training of medical teams with PTC skills in the next 2 years in advance of the event. The MMA senior executives as well as the senior clinicians in the various cities are involved with the comprehensive planning.

Emergency Medicine Development in Myanmar.

With the development of the PTC program in Myanmar, the senior clinicians are now planning on how to respond to the need to manage 'medical emergencies' in a structured manner... i.e. the development of 'emergency medicine' as a specialty area of healthcare delivery. Further to the meeting in January 2011 (c.f. Dr. Michael Hollands) with the senior MMA executives, an invitation to send a MMA representative to visit emergency medicine centres in Australia was made in June 2011.

Facilitated by Dr Georgina Phillips and with the support of RACS & ACEM, Professor Zaw Wai Soe attended the Annual Scientific Congress of the Australasian College of Emergency Medicine (Sydney, November 2012). He also visited various Emergency Medicine centres in Melbourne and Sydney to observe the service delivery. Furthermore, other colleagues from Myanmar, Professor Maung Maung Htwe visited Israel and Professor Win Ko, (Orthopaedic Hand Surgeon) to France to see first hand the different service delivery modes.

Mandalay Program...

The PTC Instructor & Provider Courses (Dec 7th ~8~9th)

We flew the next morning before dawn (on Asian Wings Airways, a newly inaugurated airline, January 2011) to Mandalay. 14 candidates (who had taken the provider course in 2010) were taught on the instructor course by the team. These candidates had previously attend their provider courses in November 2010. They participated avidly and completed the instructor course successfully. With the assistance of the local faculty (of 4 supervisors) and under the supervision of the international faculty, they taught the provider course. This course was efficiently managed and very successfully conducted..

Unfortunately due to an invitation to meet with the Minister of Health of Myanmar, 3 of the team left Mandalay at dawn (December 9th. Day 2, Course 1) by road for Naypyitaw, the new capital. Dr. Haydn Perndt was left to single handedly supervise these newly trained instructors with the supervisors assisting to complete the Course. The 2nd course was conducted solely under the supervision of the Mandalay Faculty.

Naypyitaw Program...

The PTC Provider Course (Dec 10~11th)

The Yangon supervisors traveled up to join the international faculty coming from Mandalay. They were warmly welcomed and hosted by the Administration of the "1,000 bed" Government Hospital. The local team arrival was delayed due to mechanical problems but fortunately had a safe journey on the 'contentious' Naypyitaw expressway.

A very successfully Provider course for 31 was conducted under the leadership of Drs Vijay Kumar, Aung Maw & Saw Hpone Ni and other local instructors with the support of the International Team.



PTC Training Scenario... 12/10/11
the distraught tourist's wife (Diane Perndt)

Meeting with the Minister of Health

At the invitation of the Minister of Health, the Honourable Dr. U Pe Thet Khin, we met with him in his office at Naypyidaw on Dec 9th.

In attendance were the Deputy Minister, Dr U Win Myint; the Director General, Dr U Htun Naing Oo, Department of Health; Deputy Director General, Dr U Than Zaw Myint, Department of Medical Science; Deputy Director General, Dr U Min Than Nyunt, Department of Health as well as Professor Zaw Wai Soe and Professor Maung Maung Htwe.



12/9/11, Meeting (L>R :TWL, GP & JK) with Minister of Health.

A progress report on the PTC Myanmar program

was discussed. The current state of training and future plans for the next 2 years particularly in relation to the SEA Games 2013 need for emergency service coverage was reviewed.

There was also a long discussion with the Minister on various aspects of Emergency Medicine. He was keen to see the development of this specialty in order to improve healthcare delivery in Myanmar. Following the meeting, the team was advised he had decided and recommended to the Directorate to plan for a Consensus Conference for the development of the Emergency Medicine specialty in Myanmar. This workshop is planned for January 17, 2012 to coincide with the 58th Annual Medical Conference of the Myanmar Medical Association in Yangon.

Under the leadership of Professor Zaw Wai Soe and other Orthopaedic surgeons, this workshop will invite International Emergency Medicine faculty to present their perspectives of EM service delivery and specialty development programs in the various countries to the senior Myanmar Medical clinician and educationalists to assist them develop a consensus for their own approach and program. Invitations are being sent to the following faculty to invite their participation.

International Faculty for the Consensus Development Conference

- a. Professor Peter Cameron The Alfred, AUS : the International Curriculum for EM
President of the International Federation of Emergency Medicine.
- b. Professor David Watters Geelong, AUS : the Papua New Guinea model
Professor of Surgery
- c. Dr Tai Wai Wong, Emergency Physician : the Hong Kong model
Senior Emergency Physician, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital.

Professor Zaw Wai Soe will meet Directorate staff at the Ministry on December 21, 2011 to coordinate a working group. A preliminary workshop of the key senior local medical executives will be conducted and materials circulated to the participants in order to facilitate a smooth and effective conference.

PTC Myanmar Program for 2012

Following a review and wrap-up meeting conducted among the international and the local faculties (Dec 8th, 11th & 12th) the following key issues were noted...

- Although a large number of instructors have been trained, in view of the service commitments and posting to centres throughout the country away from the key cities of Yangon and Mandalay, a significant numbers of the instructors lack exposure and experience in teaching the PTC courses.
- There is a need for all the trained PTC instructors to obtain more practice in the coming year in order to support the training program envisaged with the SEA Games 2013 medical emergency program.
- The local faculty (Yangon and Mandalay) will be planning for 12 courses (individual 2 day Provider Course: average of 1 course every 6 weeks) for the year 2012... some of these courses will coincide with the Sea Games training program.
- A refresher course (1day, with the instructor conducting the full 2 day as a mini-course) for all previously trained instructors is planned for early 2012. A MOH directive allowing duty leave for all participants is being planned. VJ Kumar & Aung Maw will be coordinating with Stephen Swallow on the detail program.
- For the year 2012, it is envisaged there will be 4 trips conducted by the PTC International Faculty.
- Dr Stephen Swallow, Anaesthesia, Hobart will be coming to Yangon in January 2012 for the next -18th PTC Program and has confirmed his travel will be covered under the professional development fund of his authority.
- The remaining participants of the international faculty... will be canvassed on their individual availability for the next years' program.

See attached schedule for both the overall 2012 and details of the January 2012 schedule.

58th. Myanmar Medical Conference: Annual Trauma Symposium – January 18, 2012.

Invitations have been extended to the Presidents of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and College of Emergency Medicine to send a representative.

The CEO of the PTC Foundation has confirmed he will be attending to represent the PTC organisation.

A chair/lead for the symposium needs to be identified to coordinate with the 3 other keynote speakers... following which an overall abstract (*deadline: December 2011) as per 2 previous trauma symposium.

Aus AID related matters

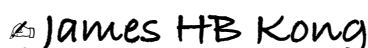
We, Dr Georgina Phillips and myself met with the Deputy Ambassador Ruth Stewart and Jillian Ray, 2nd Secretary for Aus AID on Friday, December 16, 2011 at the Australian Embassy. We reported our progress and the directions that have ensued since the recent visits of Professor Zaw Wai Soe and our meeting results with the Minister of Health. We advised the members of the Embassy of the interest the Myanmar Senior Medical clinicians have in learning and collaborating with Australian medical fraternity... particularly as in their view, there is a similarity of challenges faced by the medical community to deliver care to a vast hinterland and key metropolitan centers.

We were advised that overall the present program on trauma care does not fall within the ambit of the AusAID country plan and objectives. However as the situation changes over these coming years, we should continue to pursue further discussion.

A follow up by James Kong with Ambassador Bronte Moules is planned for the 2nd week January 2012 after the Emergency Medicine Consensus Conference and the next Trauma Symposium.

PTC Course Materials

A discussion was raised among the current international faculty to produce an “app” for the course materials.

 James HB Kong



Budget

Budget Planning

The fluctuating Myanmar Kyat exchange rate (USD \$1 = Kyat 700~850) has to be noted.

Date	Travel	Nights	MDY	Hotel	Flight	Total	Remarks
January	HKG > RGN x 2	5		\$ 1,050	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,650	Stephen's Trip is Paid
March	HKG > RGN x 1	4		\$ 280	\$ 800	\$ 1,080	
July/August	HKG > RGN x 1	4		\$ 280	\$ 800	\$ 1,080	
November	HKG > RGN x 1 AUS > RGN x 1	7	\$ 440	\$ 840	\$ 3,300	\$ 4,580	
Total Diem	Nights	20				\$ 740	Daily Expenses (37 man nights)
	Passport	\$ 120				\$ 720	Passport
Cost per ...	Hotel Yangon	\$ 70				\$ 10,850	Total
	Hotel Mandalay	\$ 60					
	Flight HKG>RGN	\$ 800					
	Flight AUS>RGN	\$ 2,500					
	RGN>MDY	\$ 220					
	Per diem	\$ 20					

Breakdown by items

No	Item	Unit Cost	No	Amount	Remarks
1	International Air Ticket (Hong Kong)	\$ 800	2	\$ 1,600	January 2012
2	International Air Ticket (Hong Kong)	\$ 800	1	\$ 800	March 2012
3	International Air Ticket (Hong Kong)	\$ 800	1	\$ 800	July/August 2012
4	International Air Ticket (Hong Kong)	\$ 800	1	\$ 800	November 2012
5	International Air Ticket (Australia)	\$ 2,500	1	\$ 2,500	November 2012
6	Local Air Ticket (RGN>MDY)	\$ 220	2	\$ 440	November 2012
7	Visa + Postage (DHL)	\$ 120	6	\$ 720	Multiple Trips amalgamated
8	Hotel Accommodation (Yangon) 15 nights	\$ 70	5	\$ 1,050	January 2012
9	Hotel Accommodation (Yangon) 4 nights	\$ 70	4	\$ 280	March 2012
10	Hotel Accommodation (Yangon) 4 nights	\$ 70	4	\$ 280	July/August 2012
11	Hotel Accommodation (Mandalay) 14 nights	\$ 60	7	\$ 840	November 2012
12	Per diem expenses \$ 20 per night	\$ 20	27	\$ 540	
	Total (Jan ~ Nov 2012)			\$ 10,650	

USD \$10,650 is required for the planned program. ✍



Schedule 2012

Date	Yangon	Mandalay	Remarks	Facilitators
January	58 th MMA Annual Meeting		Mini-Instructor Workshop; 1-Provider Course; Consensus Conference Emergency Medicine; Trauma Symposium,	2~3
March	?	?		1
July/August		?		1
November	?	?	Instructor Workshop	2

There will be 4 visits by the international faculty... of which 1 visit is reserved for Yangon and Mandalay each. The remaining visits is provisionally scheduled for Yangon but may be switch to an alternate venue if appropriate. An instructor course by the local supervisors with assistance by the internationals is planned for late 2012.

January 2012 Schedule

Date	Day	Remarks	Facilitators
Jan 13, 2012	Friday	Arrival	SS, TWW, JK
Jan 14, 2012	Saturday	Mini-Instructor Workshop	SS, TWW, JK
Jan 15, 2012	Sunday	Provider Course Day 1	SS, TWW, JK
Jan 16, 2012	Monday	Provider Course Day 2	Ss, TWW, JK
Jan 17, 2012	Tuesday	Consensus Conference Emergency Medicine	PC, DW, TWW, JK
Jan 18, 2012	Wednesday	Trauma Symposium, 58 th MMA Annual Meeting	
Jan 19, 2012	Thursday	Departure	

The internationals involved in the PTC Program should arrived Yangon by Friday Jan 13 evening. The remaining other participants should arrive i arrived Yangon by Monday Jan 16 evening.

Participants may leave on the evening after the Trauma Symposium (Wednesday Jan 18). ✍️

December 16, 2011

Professor Peter Cameron

Professor David Watters

Dr Tai Wai Wong

Dear All,

During our recent visit to Myanmar to conduct the 17th. Primary Trauma Care Program, we received an invitation from the Minister of Health, the Honourable Dr. U Pe Thet Khin, to meet with him in his office at Naypyidaw on Dec 9th.

In attendance were the Deputy Minister, Dr U Win Myint; the Director General, Dr U Htun Naing Oo, Department of Health; Deputy Director General, Dr U Than Zaw Myint, Department of Medical Science; Deputy Director General, Dr U Min Than Nyunt, Department of Health, We were accompanied by Professor Zaw Wai Soe and Professor Maung Maung Htwe, Senior Orthopaedic Surgical Consultants from Yangon and Mandalay General Hospital respectively.

A progress report on the PTC Myanmar program was discussed. There was also discussions with the Minister on various aspects of Emergency Medicine. Immediately at the end of this meeting, he decided and recommended to his Directorate to plan for a Consensus Conference for the development of the Emergency Medicine specialty in Myanmar. This workshop is now planned for January 17, 2012 (to coincide with the 58th Annual Medical Conference of the Myanmar Medical Association) in Yangon.

I am asked by the Myanmar Medical Association and on behalf of the Minister to extend a cordial invitations to invite your participation in this conference.

Sincerely yours,



James Kong

Consensus Conference & Workshop on the development of Emergency Medicine Program in Myanmar

Aim: to develop consensus on Emergency Medicine Specialty in Myanmar

Draft Program

	Welcome and Opening	0800~0830
1	Myanmar Situation Review	0830~0900
2	Review of International definitions and standards of emergency medicine. The value of improving emergency care to patient outcomes.	0900~1000
3	Review of core knowledge, skills and qualities required for specialist emergency care delivery. Framework for international emergency medicine curriculum.	
4	Development of Emergency Medicine service delivery model and speciality training program in... <ul style="list-style-type: none">• in a city -state -metropolitan environment model.• In a resource poor rural model• Other international models of EM development	1000~1045 1045~1130
	Break	1200~1300
5	3 Parallel Consensus Workshop on <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specialty Training• Service Delivery in Metropolitan Environment• Service Delivery in Rural Environment	1300~1500
	Break	
7	Reports and Closing Session	1530~1630

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- Professor David Watters, Professor of Surgery, Geelong, Chairman, International Committee, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
- Dr Tai-Wai Wong, Senior Consultant, Emergency Medicine, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, Hong Kong

Chairpersons

- Professor Kyaw Myint Naing, President, Myanmar Medical Association
- Mr James HB Kong, Director of Surgery, Asia Medical Specialist, Health Informatician, Asia Healthcare International.

Participants

- Invited participants from the General Hospitals, Institutes of Medicine. Prior circulation of related reading material and a preliminary workshop for these participants will be conducted with group leaders in preparation for this conference.

Arrival & Departure Logistics

	Passport Name	Arrival Date	Flight	Departure	Flight
1	Dr Stephen Swallow	Friday, January 13, 2012		Thursday, January 19, 2012	
2	Dr Tai Wai Wong	Friday, January 13, 2012	TG305	Thursday, January 19, 2012	TG303
3	Dr James HB Kong	Friday, January 13, 2012	TG305	Thursday, January 19, 2012	TG303
4	Dr Peter Cameron	Monday, January 16, 2012		Thursday, January 19, 2012	
5	Dr David Watters	Monday, January 16, 2012		Thursday, January 19, 2012	
6	Ms Olga Watters	Monday, January 16, 2012		Thursday, January 19, 2012	

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Program Times & Key Participants

Date	Day	Start	Event	Emd	Facilitators
13/1/12	Friday		Arrival		
14/1/12	Saturday	08 00	Mini-Instructor Workshop	1730	SS, TWW, JK
15/1/12	Sunday	08 00	Provider Course Day 1	1700	SS, TWW, JK
16/1/12	Monday	08 30	Provider Course Day 2	1600	SS, TWW, JK
17/1/12	Tuesday	08 30	Consensus Conference Emergency Medicine	1630	PC, DW, TWW, JK
18/1/12	Wednesday	09 30	Trauma Symposium, 58 th MMA ASM	1230	PC, DW, TWW, JK
19/1/12	Thursday		Departure		

Note:

1. Arrival on Friday evening essential for all facilitators participating in PTC Program
2. PC & DW to arrive on Monday by for Emergency Med Conference & Trauma Symposium
3. Departure as early as Wed January 18th at 1500hrs or Thursday January 19th (flexi- time).