Name of Chapter: Malaysian Society of Neurosciences

Affiliate: Epilepsy Council of Malaysia

**The 2013-2014 Epilepsy Council Malaysia consists of:**

**Chairman:**

Prof. Dato’ Dr. Raymond Azman Ali

**Secretary:**

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Wong Sau Wei

**Treasurer:**

Dr. Sherrini Bazir Ahmad

**Members:**

1. Prof. Dr. Tan Chong Tin
2. Dr. Lim Kheng Seang
3. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tan Hui Jan
4. Datuk Dr. Raihanah Abd. Khalid
5. Dr. Vigneswari Ganesan
6. Dr Sapiah Sapuan
7. Dr Suganti Chinnasami
8. Dr Ahmad Rithauddin
9. Dr Azmi Abdul Rashid
10. Prof Chong Yi Fong

A total of 3 meetings were held:

1. 20 February 2013
2. 24 July 2013
3. 8 October 2013

Annual AGM were held in July 2013 during MSN AGM and Prof Dato Raymond Azman Ali and Assoc. Prof Wong Sau Wei will remain as chairperson and secretary and Dr Sherrini Bazir Ahmad will be the treasurer for 2013-2015

Next annual AGM will be held in June 15 during MSN AGM

**Annual Report for Year 2010-2011**

**Rules and Regulation of Epilepsy Council**

1. **Name**

1.1 Epilepsy Council of Malaysia

1. **Objectives**
   1. To promote education, training of health professionals in the care of epilepsy patients
   2. To promote research in epilepsy
   3. To continue to improve care in epilepsy management
2. **Activities**
   1. Publishing guidelines and recommendations on epilepsy
   2. Organising professional meetings and conference on epilepsy
   3. Constructing curriculum for postgraduate training in epileptology
   4. Accrediting epilepsy centres for postgraduate training in epileptology
   5. Recognising or certifying specialists in epileptology
   6. Advising the Government on epilepsy and epilepsy-related issues
   7. Initiating and coordinating research related to epilepsy to collaborate with MES and other organizations on related epilepsy issues
3. **Membership**
   1. Members of the Council must be a member of MSN
4. **Office bearers**
   1. The members shall elect among themselves a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and other office bearers as necessary to administer the affairs of the council. The term of office of the office bearers shall be two years. The Chairman shall make an annual report to the Council of MSN
5. **Changes to the Rules and Regulations**
   1. Any changes to the rules and regulations of the Epilepsy Council shall be approved at the AGM of the MSN
6. **Meeting**
   1. The council shall meet at least four times a year. The quorum shall be half of the Committee Members of 5 council members whichever is lesser

**Summary of activities**

**1. Epilepsy Awareness Campaign**

The school epilepsy program was held in Penang General Hospital on 24 February 2014, under auspices of the Epilepsy Council, Malaysian Society of Neuroscience. Total of 37 school counselors attended the campaign.. Faculty members included Prof Dato Raymond Azman Ali, Assoc. Prof. Lim Kheng Seang, Dr Eow Gaik Bee and Dr Vigneswaran. A series of lectures, interaction sessions and parent sharing sessions were carried during the campaign.

**2. Educational activities**

1. **Epilepsy Teaching Course**

For the first time in Malaysia, a teaching course dedicated specifically to Epilepsy was held in Port Dickson on 30 and 31 August 2013, under the auspices of the Epilepsy Council, Malaysian Society of Neurosciences. One hundred and twenty people (mostly doctors and some technicians) attended the course. Faculty members included international experts (Prof Ley Sander from Queen Square and Prof Lim Shih Hui from Singapore) and local epileptologists and neurologists with an interest in epilepsy (Prof Dato Raymond Ali, Assoc Prof Wong Sau Wei, Assoc Prof Lim Kheng Seang, Assoc Prof Tan Hui Jan, Dr Ahmad Rithauddin, Dr Soo Hua Huat, Prof Norlisah, Dr Suganthi, Dr N Vairavan). During the 2-day course, a wide range of topics in epilepsy in children and adults was covered, focusing mainly in clinical distinction, phenomenology and management. There was good participation from the audience which consisted mainly of doctors with an interest in neurology and other health professionals.

1. **A series of workshop and lectures were conducted by ECM members to other healthcare professionals throughout 2013.**

**By Prof. Dato’ Dr. Raymond Azman Ali:**

1. Delivered a lecture entitled “Types of seizures and seizure symptoms” at the Assunta Hospital Nurses Day Seminar, Assunta Hospital, 18 June 2013.
2. Delivered a lecture entitled “Approach to Blackouts” at the Penang Neurology Update, Penang Hospital, 22 August 2013.

1. Delivered a lecture entitled “3F – Fits, Faints and Funny Turns” at the First Epilepsy Teaching Course, organised by the Epilepsy Council, Malaysian Society of Neurosciences, Lexis, Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia, 30-31 August 2013.

1. Delivered a lecture entitled “Management of Partial Seizures in the 21st Century” at a Novartis Dinner Symposium, the First Epilepsy Teaching Course, organised by the Epilepsy Council, Malaysian Society of Neurosciences, Lexis, Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia, 30 August 2013.
2. Delivered a lecture on “Diagnosis and differential diagnosis of epilepsy” at the Kelantan Neurology Update 2013, Renaissance Hotel, Kota Bharu, Kelantan, 23 November 2013
3. Delivered a lecture on “Approach to epilepsy management” at the Kelantan Neurology Update 2013, Renaissance Hotel, Kota Bharu, Kelantan, 23 November 2013.

1. Delivered a lecture entitled “Management of Partial Seizures and the Role of Carbamazepine” to the doctors of RIPAS hospital, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, 22 March 2014.

**By Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tan Hui Jan:**

1. Neurological side effects of antipschotics. Neurospychiatry symposium 16 March 2013 Le Meredian Kuala Lumpur

1. Management of Epilepsy in the Primary Care Setting. Sanofi Update. Avilion Port Dickson 23 June 2013

1. Approach to an Epilepsy Patient. Women with Epilepsy. Hospital Kuala Pilah 26 June 2013

1. Approach to an Epilepsy Patient. Women with Epilepsy. Hospital Ipoh 29 June 2013

1. Management of Epilepsy in the Primary Care Setting. Klinik Kesihatan Cheras 5 July 2013

**By Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lim Kheng Seang:**

1. A change in epilepsy concept: ILAE guidelines in diagnosis and classification of epilepsy
2. Seizure or not seizure? Focal or generalised? (cases and videos)

1. Management of epilepsy in special conditions. Neurology Update 2013, Hospital Seberang Jaya, Malaysia, 15th August 2013

**By Dr. Ahamd Rithauddin:**

1. Seizures in children. Epilepsy and Parkinson’s Disease Update, 25 May 2013, Sarawak General Hospital, Kuching, Sarawak.
2. Status Epilepticus – Standard and Novel Agents. 35th Malaysian Paediatric Association Annual Congress, 27th – 30th June, 2013, Bukit Gambang MICE Centre, Kuantan, Pahang.
3. Intractable Seizures in Neonates. 35th Malaysian Paediatric Association Annual Congress, 27th – 30th June, 2013, Bukit Gambang MICE Centre, Kuantan, Pahang.
4. Diagnosis and Classification of Epilepsy in Paediatric. Epilepsy Teaching Course30-31 August, 2013, Lexis Hotel, Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan.
5. Seizure semiology localization: video analysis. Postgraduate course on Paediatric Neurology, 28th -29th November, 2013, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur

**3. Consensus Guidelines on Epilepsy**

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