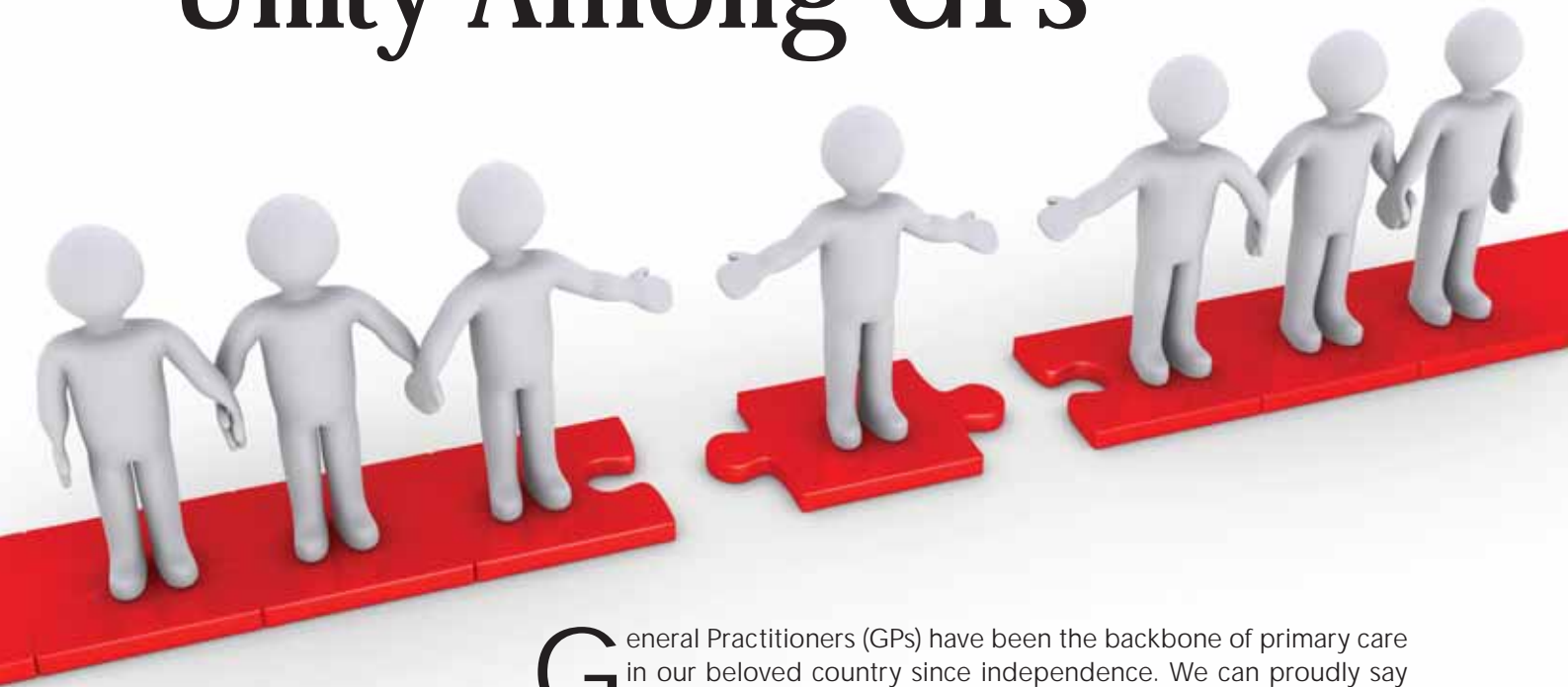


Unity Among GPs



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General Practitioners (GPs) have been the backbone of primary care in our beloved country since independence. We can proudly say that our services are affordable and even one of the cheapest in the world without any compromise in quality of service and medications provided.

We have more than 6,850 clinics registered under *Cawangan Kawalan Amalan Perubatan Swasta (CKAPS)*, of which 95% of these clinics are run by GPs. If a GP sees on average 50 patients a day, that constitutes more than 300,000 patients seen by all GPs daily and more than 100 million in a year.

In today's fast-changing socioeconomic environment, we are faced with numerous and mounting challenges and trials. As medical practitioners, there are many changes being introduced which are affecting our industry, practicing system and regularity.

Unfortunately, we have always been taken advantage of by many business entities as we represent an almost RM3.2 billion industry. Unity among GPs has been a contentious issue which provides the corporate world with an opportunity to take advantage of.

For the first time, Malaysian GPs and solo specialists will come together in one voice and one vision to sustain, protect and uphold the Malaysian general practice system.

PPSMMA feels that the need to work together with the various associations representing doctors in the country namely Federation of Private Medical Practitioners' Association (FPMPAM), Medical Practitioners Coalition Association of Malaysia (MPCAM) and *Pertubuhan Doktor-Doktor Islam Malaysia (PERDIM)* is of insurmountable importance. The GP Conference & Scientific Meeting on 3 October 2015 at Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, is organised by MMA, FPMPAM, MPCAM and PERDIM in their effort for all GPs to come together and unite as one voice to help overcome any problems faced by the GPs as a whole.