



## **Press Statement**

### **“Clarification on Promotion of Contract Medical and Dental Officers ”**

**20th November 2020** - This statement is released to call for **clarification on the recent announcement regarding the promotion of contract medical and dental officers.**

Malaysian Medics International (MMI) commends the recent promotion of contract medical and dental officers from Grade UD41 to UD43 by the Ministry of Health (MOH), Malaysia, allowing our contract medical and dental officers to receive emoluments similar to their permanent counterparts.

Alongside this announcement, MMI would like to urge the government to lay out their plans towards its implementation, providing a clear picture of its commencement and the number of contract doctors involved. Simultaneously, MMI urges the government to consider the differences experienced by contract medical officers compared to their permanent counterparts, as described in our previous press statement released on the 5th of November, for further improvement of their welfare. This includes increased opportunities for specialisation, increased days of well-earned leaves, as well as security in their future. In addition to improving the welfare of contract doctors, these will tremendously improve the public healthcare system of Malaysia, improving the health of Malaysians.

In conclusion, MMI sincerely appreciates the efforts of the government to improve the welfare of contract medical and dental officers. Simultaneously, we genuinely believe that permanent appointment of current contract medical officers is essential to build the future of the healthcare system in Malaysia.

Thank you.

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#### **About Malaysian Medics International (MMI)**

MMI is an international medical student-led organisation that aims to connect, educate, and cultivate. Since our inception in 2013, we have grown into a global network of more than 200 leaders from seven countries around the world. Presently, we are an active advocate for inclusivity and diversity, reform in medical education, and the welfare of our junior doctors and medical students.

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