

Empowering the Elements of Science and Pharmacy at SEDAMAI

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The Faculty of Pharmacy, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Puncak Alam Campus, proudly organised the Science and Pharmacy Day at Sekolah Kebangsaan Dato' Manan (Integrasi) (SEDAMAI), Tanjong Karang, Selangor. This half-day programme held on April 24, 2024, involved nearly 40 facilitators, including lecturers, support staff, and students. Among them, eight were alumni of the Faculty of Pharmacy, contributing to the smooth running of the programme. This programme aimed to foster students' interest in science, by highlighting the importance of science through fascinating topics.

The primary objective of this programme was to introduce the elements of science in general and the specialised field of pharmacy to students, providing insights into the roles of pharmacists and the significance of knowledge about medication management and functions. The programme comprised four engaging modules: Know Your Medicine, Emotion Management, Soap Making, and a specialised offering for students with special needs, focused on Playdough.



Nearly 500 primary and secondary students participated in this programme. The Know Your Medicine module introduced students to the role of pharmacists and the importance of medication management. The Soap Making and Playdough modules allowed students to explore the joy of learning science through hands-on activities, bringing classroom concepts to real-world applications. These activities taught scientific processes and developed students' creative and psychomotor skills, particularly benefiting students with special needs.

After the successful debut of the initial series at Sekolah Kebangsaan Puncak Alam 2, the Emotion Management module, part of a series initiated by the Faculty of Pharmacy in collaboration with the UCS Counselling Unit, emphasised the importance of achieving emotional balance for academic excellence and everyday life. This module provided the students with valuable strategies for effectively managing negative emotions, in particular those resulting from bullying, empowering them to maintain a positive outlook, foster resilience, and achieve success in various aspects of their lives.

This initiative has demonstrated that learning science can be a fun and interactive experience, while also highlighting the diverse and impactful opportunities within the pharmaceutical domain. The Faculty of Pharmacy aspires to continue nurturing students' passion for science and pharmacy, empowering them with valuable knowledge for the future.

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