

# PHARMACISTS HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP FORUM 2025

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Pharmacists Healthcare Leadership Forum 2025 was a two-day event organised by the Malaysian Pharmacists Society – Hospital and Clinical Pharmacy Chapter. The event was held on 17th and 18th May 2025 at Taylor's University Lakeside Campus. It was attended by two students, namely Muhammad Danish Aliff Bin Hishamuddin and Muhammad Hakim Bin Sugiman. The forum gathered pharmacists from across Malaysia to hear from notable pharmacy leaders who spoke on topics such as leadership in pharmacy, the evolving role of pharmacists in the digital era of healthcare, and entrepreneurial opportunities within the profession.



On the first day, the programme focused primarily on pharmacists' leadership. Speakers engaged the audience through talks and forums, highlighting the importance of leadership qualities in pharmacy, ways to develop these skills, and how to apply them in professional settings. Additionally, pharmacists are encouraged to take a more leadership role in the healthcare settings such as clinical team leads in the hospitals, founder of a pharmaceutical industry, policy advisors in the health ministry, and founder of a digital technology company that could contribute greatly to the healthcare system.

The second day explored areas beyond the traditional healthcare system. The sessions centred on the digital transformation of healthcare and the emerging roles for pharmacists in this space. As healthcare systems worldwide embrace digital transformation, the role of pharmacists is expanding rapidly—driven by technology, data, and patient-centered innovation. The speakers highlight health informatics and data analytics. Telepharmacy and virtual consultation was also emphasised, seeing how the world has evolved into a situation where almost everyone can communicate without the needs of physical meetings. Additionally, the programme covered entrepreneurial skills and opportunities available to pharmacists.



In conclusion, the event was highly beneficial for the students as it provided valuable insights beyond the classroom. Participation in such events is strongly encouraged as it helps students enhance their soft skills and supports their overall character development. Therefore in the future if there is any programme like this, the faculty should encourage the students to join and provide any form of support necessary.

