

# PHARMACARE AND PHARMATOPIA



On 17th June 2023, a total of 80 students from Sekolah Kebangsaan Puncak Alam 2 participated in the "Pharmacare and Pharmatopia" program held at the Faculty of Pharmacy, UiTM Puncak Alam. The program was a collaboration between the Society of Pharmacy Students (SOPHYS), second-semester students from the Faculty of Pharmacy, and fourth-semester students from the Faculty of Health Sciences. Pfizer Malaysia and McDonald's Malaysia, as joint organizers, provided expertise, volunteers, and food to ensure the smooth running of the program.

Pharmatopia was a project assignment for the "Know Your Medicine" course (UPH654), which is part of the faculty's curriculum, under the guidance of lecturer Ms. Nur Sabiha Md Hussin. The Ministry of Higher Education (KPT) implemented it in 2019 as part of their initiative, aiming to integrate learning objectives with community service. The objectives of this initiative align with the goals of Service Learning Malaysia-University for Society (SULAM) practices, which aim to enhance learning by connecting theory and practice with real-world problem-solving in the community. The program aimed to provide students with early exposure to the field of pharmacy and the proper use of medications. Additionally, the program was expected to provide university students with an opportunity to build good relationships, interact, and collaborate effectively with representatives from the community, including schoolteachers and students. The activities conducted throughout the program focused on providing knowledge about medicines related to the "Know Your Medicine" program. Activities included lectures on the "Know Your Medicine" program and the use of antibiotics. Furthermore, laboratory practicals related to antibiotics were also conducted. The program continued with interactive booths in the afternoon session, providing further exposure to school students about medicines.

It is hoped that more programs like this can be implemented by university students as early exposure, especially in communication skills and program management. Additionally, the students can positively impact the surrounding community, particularly in the Puncak Alam area.

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