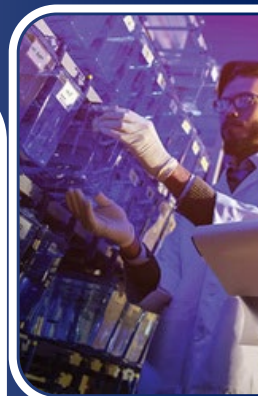


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## Hospital Training Survival Tips from Seniors: A Virtual Experience Sharing with Students, Local and International Strategic Partners

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The Hospital Training Surviving Tips from the Seniors, a brainchild of the Faculty of Pharmacy, **Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Bertam Campus, Pulau Pinang**, has been an annual event since 2018. The primary aim of the programme is to empower Semester Four Diploma in Pharmacy students who are about to embark on their ten months of hospital training. This initiative provides them with the knowledge, skills, and work ethics necessary to successfully complete their industrial training, which is a requirement for the Diploma in Pharmacy degree.

The event, held virtually via Microsoft Teams on 20 May 2023 (Saturday), was particularly special as the audience expanded to include not only our very own students but also local and international strategic partners. The virtual event successfully attracted 120 participants, including faculty members and students from UiTM Bertam Campus, Pulau Pinang, Melaka International College of Science and Technology (MiCoST), and 27 higher learning institutions under the **Asosiasi Pendidikan Diploma Farmasi, Indonesia (APDFI)**. Among the attendees from APDFI were those from **Politeknik Katolik Mangunwijaya, Politeknik Bina Husada Kendari, Poltekkes Kemenkes Kupang, Universitas Muhammadiyah Lamongan, Universitas Sebelas Maret, Akademi Farmasi Prayoga Padang, Poltekkes Kemenkes Jakarta II, Poltekkes kemenkes Surakarta, Sekolah Tinggi Farmasi Muhammadiyah Cirebon, Politeknik Kesehatan Tanjungkarang, Universitas Muhammadiyah Banjarmasin, Poltekkes Kemenkes Malang, Jurusan Farmasi Poltekkes Tanjungkarang Propinsi Lampung, Politeknik Kesehatan Putra Indonesia Malang, Poltekkes Kemenkes Aceh, Sekolah Tinggi Kesehatan Alfatah Bengkulu, Universitas Muhammadiyah Klaten, Universitas Sebelas Maret Surakarta, Poltekkes Kemenkes Tasikmalaya, Universitas Islam Madura, STIKes Ranah Minang, Farmasi Universitas Muhadi Setiabudi, STIKes Widya Dharma Husada Tangerang, Akademi Farmasi Indonesia Yogyakarta, Health Polytechnic of Gorontalo, Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Farmasi Makassar and Akademi Farmasi Imam Bonjol Bukittinggi.**



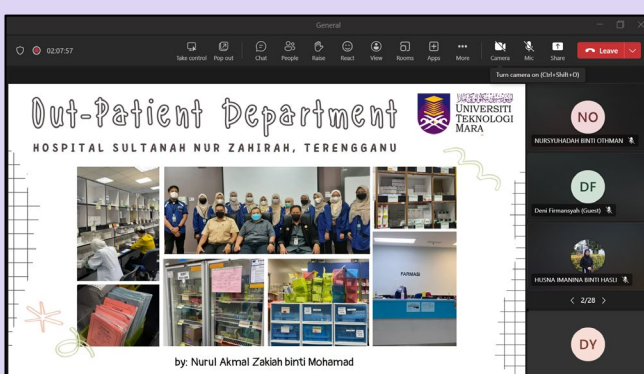
Dr. Mohd Nadzri Mohd Najib highlighted the important attitudes students need to uphold during hospital training.







Super senior, Miss Nurul Alyaa Ibrahim shared valuable insights on successfully completing hospital training.



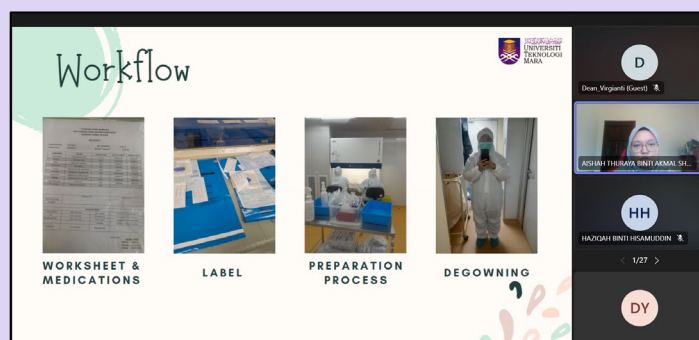
One of the senior students, Nurul Akmal Zakiah Binti Mohamad, shared valuable experiences from her attachment to the Outpatient Pharmacy Department at Hospital Sultanah Nur Zahirah, Terengganu.

The benefits of the event were manifold. Of the 84 feedback responses received, all students unanimously agreed that the event had increased their knowledge and confidence in undertaking training in a hospital setting. Furthermore, the event served as a valuable platform for strengthening relationships between junior and senior students, as well as faculty members. In addition, faculty members from both UiTM and international strategic partners were able to gain updates on the latest hospital working procedures and emerging pharmacy practices in Malaysia which would be beneficial for subsequent teaching and learning activities.

The event began with an opening remark by Dr. Mohd Nadzri Mohd Najib, the programme coordinator, who highlighted the crucial professional attitudes and work ethics that students need to portray while working in hospitals, as they are the ambassadors of the faculty. This was followed by an introduction to course planning by Madam Nursyuhadah Othman, the resource person, who reminded students of the different types of course assessments that they need to fulfil.

The highlight of the event was a series of presentations by Semester Six senior students, featuring tips and pitfalls encountered while attached to various hospital pharmacy units, namely the outpatient pharmacy, inpatient pharmacy, manufacturing unit, sterile unit, health clinic, and pharmacy store. Another significant session included valuable insights from Miss Nurul Alyaa Ibrahim, a former UiTM pharmacy graduate and current faculty member, who shared her experience and joy in successfully navigating hospital training.

Additionally, the event included breakout small group interactive discussions between senior and junior students, allowing juniors to leverage the opportunity to seek personalised advice on surviving the ten months of hospital training.



Another senior student, Aishah Thuraya Binti Akmal, shared her interesting experiences and important workflows from her attachment to the Sterile Pharmacy Unit at Hospital Tuan Ku Jaafar Negeri Sembilan.

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