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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
RE : WORLD PATIENT SAFETY DAY 2023
DATE : 14 September 2023

The University, through the UST Hospital (USTH) , announces the observance of the [World Patient Safety Day](#) on 17 September 2023 (Sunday), which aims to raise global awareness about patient safety and call for solidarity and united action to reduce patient harm. The Department of Health (DOH) adopts this year's theme: "**Engaging patients for patient safety**" with a slogan "*Elevate the voice of patients!*"¹ For a meaningful celebration, the following activities and campaign materials are already lined up:

1. Virtual Advocacy Fora

- DOH spearheaded a Virtual Advocacy Forum for World Patient Safety Day on 14 September 2023 (Thu) from 9:00 am to 12:00 nn via [Facebook Live](#).
- USTH organizes a forum titled "*Engaging D.E.A.R. Patients for Safety*" on 27 September 2023 (Wed). Kindly click this [link](#) to register.

2. Video Infographics

- The UST Health Service will release video infographics via ThoMedSS to help raise awareness on the important role of patients and their families in the safety of healthcare.

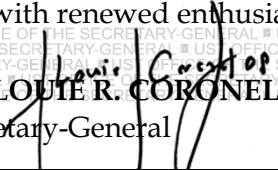
3. Podcast

- Through the [Friar's Desk](#) by Fr. Dexter A. Austria, OP, three (3) UST Hospital staff were engaged in a discussion about patient safety last 8 September 2023 (Fri). To watch, please click this [link](#).

4. Lighting of the UST Main Building

- The University is one with the World Health Organization in lighting up iconic monuments, landmarks and public places in the color orange, the signature mark of the campaign.
- The UST Main Building will be lit in orange from September 15-17, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Pope Francis said, "Health care ministry will always be a necessary and fundamental task to be carried out with renewed enthusiasm by all, from parish communities to the largest healthcare institutions."²


FR. LOUIE R. CORONEL, O.P.
Secretary-General

¹ [Administrative Order No. 2020-0007](#) on the National Policy on Patient Safety in Health Facilities, 11 February 2020.

² Pope Francis, [Message for the 26th World Day of the Sick](#), 26 November 2017.



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UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS HOSPITAL
COMMITTEE ON PATIENT SAFETY

In celebration of the World Patient Safety Day

USTH Patient Safety Day

"Engaging D.E.A.R. Patients for Safety"

DYNAMIC

EMPOWERED

ACTIVELY ENGAGED

RESPONSIBLE

27TH SEPTEMBER 2023
8AM-12NN
via ZOOM

SCAN TO REGISTER

