



# MED E Scene

Official Newszine of the UST FMS Department of Medicine



## Being a Chairman

Being appointed by Dean Odette Maglinao, as the Chairman of the USTFMS Department of Medicine, is both humbling and overwhelming at the same time. As the USTFMS is celebrating its 150 years of existence, I never have imagined to be placed in this position in my wildest dreams moreso at a time when COVID 19 pandemic hit us hard. As I look back months before my unexpected appointment as Chair, I was struggling as the Medicine Clerkship Supervisor (appointed March 2020, 7 days before the lockdown) squeezing my brains out what to do with the sudden shift to online clerkship curriculum. I must say I was such a masochist that despite all the sleepless nights to think of what to do to our 450 medical clerks, endless change of schedule, i somewhat enjoyed every minute of it. This was because of the full support of all faculty members who in their own way went an extra mile to make our online clerkship program the best despite the not so ideal setting due to the pandemic.

Suddenly now, im in a different ballgame being the Department Chair. The illustrious past Department Chairs are a difficult act to follow. Nevertheless, I know i am not the best person for the position but i always do my best in everything i do and i believe in. The passion to what i envision sometimes borders to stubbornness as i may say. I believe that nothing is impossible to achieve for the Department when no less than all faculty members serves as the backbone and the Chair just leads the way to the right direction. As i am now given the opportunity to serve as the Department Chair, faculty empowerment, medical education researches, creating an innovative and responsive curriculum in a conducive learning environment and most importantly, legacy documentation and preservation are the main thrust i must work for with the help of all the faculty members. **Melvin R. Marcial, MD, MHPEd**

## DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER REVIVAL

Honoring the legacy left behind by our previous faculty members, for almost 95 years of the Department's existence, would be the most appropriate thing one can do. Thus, they say, never written, never happened. Documentation plays an integral part of this. This is the main reason for reviving the Department Newsletter and now will be named "MEDeScene" as voted upon by the majority. This newsletter would serve as a conduit between the past and the present. We can feature in this platform the glorious past of the Department bit by bit in its every issue at the same time would document significant events in the Department, each subspecialty sections or individual faculty members.

## DEPARTMENT VISION AND MISSION

It is the vision of the Department of Medicine, that by the year 2027, in its 100th year of existence, it will be the premiere subunit of the USTFMS and a trailblazer of in terms of delivering education in the different fields of internal medicine in the Philippines. In consonance to the mission of the USTFMS, It commits herself to the pursuit of excellence in the different subspecialties in internal medicine guided by Christian ethics and values. Also, it affirms her task in the development and formation of competent, compassionate, and committed Thomasian physicians applying the basic and new medical knowledge as well as clinical practices in the field of internal medicine for the promotion of health.

Thus, everything being said, aside from documentation, the newsletter will be a testament of the Department's celebration of life involving all the faculty members that come and go in a certain time frame leaving an indelible mark for the future faculty members to see.



Department of Medicine Photoshoot for the Sesquicentennial Book of the USTFMS

## 2021: Pride and Passing



Dr. Adoracion Nambayan Abad, a retired faculty member from the Section of Cardiology, passed away last December



Dr. Angeles Tan Alora recognized as one of our most distinguished alumni by the USTMAA



Dr. Sol Z. Alvarez, is given the honor of delivering this year's Salinyaman





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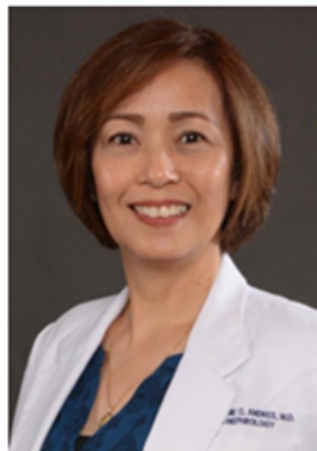
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