



On the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022, Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH) in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah hosted the Hepatobiliary fraternity of Malaysia for an educational retreat: the National HPB CME. After a long hiatus, moving from series of virtual CMEs to face to face ‘old school’ conference style was indeed a pleasant experience.

This event was organized by HPB Unit QEH in collaboration with Sabah Surgical Society and MyHPBS. Fellows from various training centres in Ministry of Health (MOH) & Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) hospitals presented latest journal papers pertaining to Acute Pancreatitis. Mr Manisekar Subramaniam, our Head of National HPB Services, gave his opening speech & stressed the importance of a Malaysian CPG to address patient management issues. Other prominent figures who attended this CME were Mr Nik Azim, Ms Suryati Mokhtar & Prof BK Yoong.

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*“Acute Pancreatitis is a condition that is frequently managed in Malaysian Hospitals & an updated Malaysian CPG is needed to ensure a high standard of care”*  
Dr Manisekar Subramaniam

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## Day 1

The event started at 1400h. The first speaker, Dr Harivinthan Sellapan presented about the POINTER Trial followed by Dr Dayang who presented about endoscopic versus surgical treatment for infected necrotizing pancreatitis. Total of 8 HPB fellows presented on Day 1. Each presentation was followed by critical appraisal, discussion and sharing of experience by the senior members of the fraternity. Last speaker of the day was Dr Muhd Ezra who presented on Management of Nutrition in Acute Pancreatitis. Day 1 ended with a delicious seafood dinner at a local restaurant followed by a short social gathering.



## Day 2

Day 2 continued with 7 more journal presentations. 2 of our industrial partners also took part in this CME and demonstrated their latest products. At the end of the event, a preliminary team consist of fellows from various institutions were formed to spearhead the discussion on of a new National Clinical Practice Guidelines. We concluded the event with lunch and most of the .



It was our pleasure in HPB QEH to be the organizing team for this event. Next CME meet up with be hosted by the HPB team, Hospital Sultanah Aminah, Johor and till we meet again.... adios and stay safe.