

Message from Secretary General of the Consortium of Thai Medical Schools

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On behalf of the Consortium of Thai Medical Schools, I would like to congratulate the South East Asian Regional Association for Medical Education (SEARAME) for another successful movement by launching the first issue of this journal. This journal is based on the Journal of Medical Education of Thailand (J MED EDUC THAI). The Consortium of Thai Medical Schools established the J MED EDUC THAI in 2005. Our main objective was to disseminate the knowledge and research findings among medical educators. We decided to use English language so educators outside the Kingdom of Thailand can gain benefits from the J MED EDUC THAI. The objective seemed to be quite fruitful. During the past few years we received manuscripts from medical educators and educationalists working in several countries including countries outside Asian continent. Being the official journal of SEARAME is another important step to achieve our primary objective. It is no doubt that being a part of SEARAME activities, this journal will reach more

readers especially in the countries in this region.

Another big change about the Journal is the publishing process. When we first established the J MED EDUC THAI, we planned to make it only as an electronic journal. However, to better serve the readers in the areas with less access to information technology equipments, the South East Asian Journal of Medical Education (SEAJME) is also published as a hard copy. This process is made possible by the generous support from WHO-SEARO. We gratefully thank them for this.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank SEARAME in giving us a chance to join this endeavor. I hope this journal will be an important mean for sharing the knowledge regarding the medical education not only among the countries in this region but also other countries elsewhere.