

Title: Fatimah Taha Suhaimi winner of the Tan Chin Tuan 2020 Nursing Award; 3 Malay nurses win Merit Award

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Registered Chief Nurse Ms Fatimah Taha Suhaimi from Changi General Hospital (CGH) was selected as the winner of this year's Tan Chin Tuan Nursing Award.

The 14th edition of the prestigious award is to recognise 10 nurses who exhibited outstanding performance, high level of dedication and made a significant contribution to the field of nursing.

Ms Fatimah, 52, started working at CGH since 2002. Ward 18 at the hospital is where she does her daily work. As the Registered Head of Registered Nurses, she also assumes the responsibility of mentoring trainee nurses from the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) or polytechnics and new nurses as well as taking care of patients.

During her 31 years of career as a nurse, she went through various bittersweet experiences. The encouragement of family and colleagues is used as a fuel for the spirit to continue to give the best.

"There are times when I actually feel 'I want to give up'. But the sustenance it (nursing) provides, and the stability it provides for me to raise my three children encourages me to continue it and my colleagues as well," revealed Ms. Fatimah, a single mother.

THREE CHILDREN IN THE SAME FIELD

Ms Fatimah is also proud of the achievements of two sons and a daughter who all follow in the footsteps of venturing into the field of nursing. Her eldest son, who is now 28 years old, also works at the same hospital as a general nurse.

"I am thankful that my children are all fine. I am proud that my youngest son also participated in nursing. He is a third year student. My daughter (second child) is a social worker and I think it is possible because I educated they are about my job and the sustenance they receive (from my career) encourages them to participate in the field of nursing," explained Ms. Fatimah.

Ms Fatimah's dedication to helping patients is so obvious and touched the hearts of patients when she is willing to say hello even though her patients have been allowed to leave the hospital and return to their homes.

"When he called me and told me he still had symptoms, I felt it was my job as a nurse to still take care of him. And he still trusted me and came to ask for help from me. I could not refuse it," Ms Fatimah said of one of the patients under her care who suffered injuries as a result of a road accident. For Ms Fatimah, she hopes to continue to serve as a nurse until she reaches the age of 75.

For nurses or those who want to venture into the field, this is Ms. Fatimah's message: "Sometimes you are scolded by patients or the patient's family. You should look beyond that. Do not give up easily."

CARE ABOUT PATIENTS AND ALSO THEIR FAMILIES

The spirit to serve more than needed is also shared by Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH) Senior Assistant Nurse, Ms Aion Harun, 63 years old.

In addition to helping their patients to treat their mobility after undergoing surgery, this 43-year-old nurse always brings smiles to her patients to ease their pain. For example, he would gather his colleagues to celebrate the patient's birthday under his care.

"Oh, pity our patients who spend their birthday in the hospital. So we must make something for them. We can order a cake. We sing a song 'Happy Birthday' to them, and they will be very happy," said Ms Aion, who has two children aged 40 and 36.

Not only patients are the concern, but also family members are not forgotten: "For those who are sad, there is death, we will buy condolence cards. We call everyone (nurse) to sign or write something to give encouragement to their families and we post "We did this on our own. It's not the hospital that told us to."

Although she has been working as a nurse for more than four decades, it has not crossed Ms Aion's mind to retire. "As long as I am healthy, as long as my skills are needed at this Tan Tock Seng Hospital, I will continue. InshaAllah."

MOH WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO NURSES

The invaluable contribution of 10 outstanding nurses this year including Ms Fatimah and Ms Aion was recognized in the Tan Chin Tuan Nursing Awards Ceremony held online this time.

Ms. Fatimah was crowned champion and brought home a S \$ 3,500 cash prize that could be used for her professional development and a specially created gold medal.

The second place went to Ms. Ow Yong Lau Chan from the Institute of Mental Health (IMH) while the third place belonged to Ms. Yew Xueling from Sengkang General Hospital.

Ms Aion and six other finalist nurses were given the Merit Award and S \$ 800 cash prize. Two finalists Malays who also received a Merit Award are Ms. Juraidah Abdul Rahman of the National Neuroscience Institute and Ms. Siti Nur Eisah Zulkifli from the National Heart Center Singapore.

Distinguished Guest, Senior Minister of State for Health Koh Poh Koon also expressed his appreciation to all the winners. He stressed that MOH is committed to continuing to support her career and help nurses develop their potential in the field of nursing.



Fatimah Taha Suhaimi pemenang Anugerah Kejururawatan Tan Chin Tuan 2020; 3 jururawat Melayu rangkul Anugerah Merit

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SINGAPURA: Ketua Jururawat Berdaftar Cik Fatimah Taha Suhaimi dari Hospital Besar Changi (CGH) dipilih sebagai pemenang Anugerah Kejururawatan Tan Chin Tuan tahun ini.

Edisi ke-14 anugerah berprestij itu adalah bagi menghargai 10 jururawat yang mempamerkan prestasi cemerlang, tahap dedikasi yang tinggi dan membuat sumbangan besar kepada bidang kejururawatan.

Cik Fatimah yang berusia 52 tahun mula bekerja di CGH sejak 2002. Wad 18 di hospital itulah tempat beliau menjalankan tugas sehariannya.

Sebagai Ketua Jururawat Berdaftar, beliau turut menggalas tanggungjawab sebagai mentor kepada para jururawat pelatih dari Institut Pendidikan Teknikal (ITE) atau politeknik dan jururawat baru di samping menjaga keperluan pesakit.



Sepanjang 31 tahun kerjayanya sebagai seorang jururawat, pelbagai pengalaman pahit manis dilaluinya.

Dorongan keluarga dan rakan setugas dijadikan sebagai pembakar semangat untuk terus memberikan yang terbaik.

"Ada kalanya banyak kali sebenarnya saya rasa 'saya nak putus asa'. Tapi rezeki yang ia (kejururawatan) berikan, dan kestabilan yang ia berikan untuk saya membesarkan ketiga-tiga anak saya mendorong saya untuk meneruskannya dan para rakan kerja juga," dedah Cik Fatimah, seorang ibu tunggal.

KETIGA-TIGA ANAK CEBURI BIDANG SAMA

Cik Fatimah turut berbangga dengan pencapaian dua anak lelaki dan seorang anak perempuan yang kesemuanya mengikut jejak langkah menceburi bidang kejururawatan. Anak sulungnya yang kini berusia 28 tahun juga bertugas di hospital yang sama sebagai jururawat am.

"Saya berterima kasih kerana anak-anak saya semuanya baik-baik belaka. Saya bangga yang anak bongsu saya turut menyertai bidang kejururawatan. Dia adalah pelajar tahun ketiga.

Anak perempuan saya (anak kedua) adalah seorang pekerja sosial dan saya rasa mungkin kerana saya mendidik mereka tentang tugas saya dan rezeki yang mereka terima (daripada kerjaya saya) mendorong mereka untuk menyertai bidang kejururawatan," jelas Cik Fatimah.

Dedikasi Cik Fatimah menghulurkan bantuan kepada para pesakit begitu terserlah dan menyentuh hati para pesakit apabila beliau sanggup bertanya khabar meskipun pesakitnya sudah dibenarkan keluar hospital dan pulang ke rumah masing-masing.

"Apabila dia menghubungi saya dan memberitahu dia masih mempunyai simptom-simptom, saya rasa adalah tugas saya sebagai jururawat untuk masih menjaganya. Dan beliau masih mempercayai saya dan datang meminta bantuan daripada saya. Saya tidak boleh menolaknya," kata Cik Fatimah mengenai salah seorang pesakit di bawah jagaannya selepas mengalami kecederaan akibat kemalangan jalan raya.

Buat Cik Fatimah, beliau berharap dapat terus berbakti sebagai seorang jururawat sehingga usianya mencecah 75 tahun.

Bagi jururawat atau mereka yang mahu menceburi bidang tersebut, ini pesanan Cik Fatimah: "Kadangkala anda dimarahi oleh pesakit atau keluarga pesakit. Anda harus melihat lebih jauh dari itu. Jangan mudah berputus asa."

PRIHATIN TERHADAP PESAKIT DAN JUGA KELUARGA MEREKA

Semangat untuk berkhidmat lebih daripada yang diperlukan turut dikongsi Penolong Jururawat Kanan Hospital Tan Tock Seng (TTSH), Cik Ainon Haron, 63 tahun.

Selain membantu pesakitnya bagi rawatan mobiliti mereka selepas menjalani pembedahan, jururawat dengan 43 tahun pengalaman ini sentiasa menguntum senyuman kepada para pesakitnya bagi meringankan kesakitan mereka.



Misalnya, beliau akan mengumpulkan rakan-rakan sekerjanya untuk sama-sama menyambut hari lahir pesakit di bawah jagaannya.

"Oh kesiannya pesakit kita ini. Hari lahir tapi di hospital. Jadi kita mesti membuat sesuatu untuk mereka. Kita boleh memesan kek. Kita nyanyi lagu 'Selamat Hari Jadi' untuk mereka, dan mereka akan bahagia sekali," kata Cik Ainon yang mempunyai dua orang anak berusia 40 tahun dan 36 tahun.

Bukan pesakit sahaja menjadi keprihatinannya, bahkan ahli keluarga juga tidak dilupakan: "Bagi yang macam sedih, ada kematian ke apa, kita akan beli kad takziah. Kita panggil semua orang (jururawat) menandatangani atau menulis sesuatu untuk beri perangsang kepada keluarga mereka dan kita poskan. Itu semua kita buat sendiri. Bukan hospital yang suruh."

Walaupun sudah lebih empat dekad bertugas sebagai jururawat, belum lagi terlintas dalam benak fikiran Cik Ainon untuk bersara.

"Selagi saya sihat, selagi kemahiran saya diperlukan di Hospital Tan Tock Seng ini, saya akan teruskan. InsyaAllah."

MOH AKAN TERUS MEMBERI SOKONGAN KEPADA JURURAWAT

Sumbangan tidak ternilai 10 jururawat cemerlang tahun ini termasuk Cik Fatimah dan Cik Ainon diiktiraf dalam Majlis Anugerah Kejururawatan Tan Chin Tuan yang diadakan secara online kali ini.

Cik Fatimah dinobat sebagai juara dan membawa pulang hadiah wang tunai S\$3,500 yang boleh digunakan untuk perkembangan profesionalnya dan sebutir pingat emas yang dicipta khas.

Tempat kedua jatuh kepada Cik Ow Yong Lau Chan dari Institut Kesihatan Mental (IMH) manakala tempat ketiga menjadi milik Cik Yew Xueling dari Hospital Besar Sengkang.

Cik Ainon dan enam jururawat finalis yang lain pula diberikan Anugerah Merit dan hadiah wang tunai S\$800. Dua finalis Melayu yang turut menerima Anugerah Merit adalah Cik Juraidah Abdul Rahman dari Institut Neurosains Nasional dan Cik Siti Nur Eisah Zulkifli dari Pusat Jantung Nasional Singapura.

Tetamu Terhormat, Menteri Negara Kanan Kesihatan Koh Poh Koon turut melahirkan penghargaanannya kepada semua pemenang.

Beliau menegaskan bahawa MOH komited untuk terus menyokong kerjaya dan membantu para jururawat mengembangkan potensi mereka dalam bidang kejururawatan.

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