



# Certificate in Sexually Transmitted Infections for Primary Care Physician (AFPM)

conjoint with

Primary Care Clinical Sexually Transmitted Infections (TMSSTD)

leading to

## Professional Certificate in Primary Care Sexually Transmitted Infections (AFPM)

This will be a hybrid course with single module to be done over a period <u>of 6-months</u>, <u>zoom sessions</u>, and followed by a 3-day weekend face-to-face contact program.

There will be an open book assessment at the beginning of the module and a close-book final assessment with a viva at the end of the 3-day face-to-face program.

All candidates will be provided with learning module text on STI with the latest updates and guidelines from WHO, CDC, MOH Malaysia.

STIs are a major global cause of acute illness, infertility, long-term disability, congenital infections, and death, with severe medical and psycho-social impact. STIs have a profound impact on sexual and reproductive health worldwide. Misdiagnosing and mismanaging STIs may result in serious complications and sequalae.

COURSE FEE: RM 3500
CONTACT PROGRAM DATE: 16<sup>th</sup> TO 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY, 2026
VENUE: SERI PACIFIC HOTEL
Closing Date For Registration: 15<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2025

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

To empower primary care physicians, to have knowledge, understanding, and cognitive skills in the following:

- non-judgemental and non-discriminating approach to treating and preventing STIs
- the principles of service provision for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) and related conditions
- the issues relating to confidentiality and partner notification
- the epidemiology and the factors involved in the transmission of STIs
- how to prevent transmission of STIs
- common STIs and related conditions, their presentation, diagnosis, and management
- when to refer patients to specialist services
- able to evaluate the ways in which the lifestyle and circumstances of patients/clients may reflect in their presentation and impact on their management
- able to analyse how the range of human sexuality, lifestyles and culture impacts on transmission and approaches to prevention and risk reduction

## When you complete this course, you will be able to:

- draw on a range of resources to provide evidence-based management to people presenting to your service with sexual and reproductive health needs
- articulate your contribution to risk reduction and STI prevention in your own service
- reflect on the essential role of effective partner notification when dealing with an infectious disease
- demonstrate the importance of confidentiality in consultations involving sexual health



### **Course Contents:**

CHAPTER 1	Introduction and Overview of STIs and HIV
CHAPTER 2	Bacterial STIs
CHAPTER 3	Viral STI
CHAPTER 4	HIV and AIDS
CHAPTER 5	Clinical Syndromes
CHAPTER 6	Laboratory evaluation for diagnosis and screening
CHAPTER 7	Prevention of STI

## **Post-Course Knowledge Assessment:**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the face-to-face contact program, a written closed-book post-course assessment along with viva will be held.

## Future after successful completion of the course:

We are delighted to announce that successful candidates of this STI Course will be eligible to participate in a conjoint programme of Primary Care Clinical Sexually Transmitted Infections which will be conducted by Ministry of Health of Thailand. This center is also actively involved in research and updating STI guidelines with WHO and United Nations. The trainers are well experienced clinicians who are actively participating in the treatment of the STIs and HIV exclusively. Candidates will be able to experience a real-life clinical exposure. The duration of this course in Thailand will be for 2 weeks and all candidates will be required to pass the exit exam. On successfully completing the course in Thailand, candidates will be awarded a Certificate in Primary Care Clinical Sexually Transmitted Infections.



#### **FACULTY OF STI COURSE:**

## 1. COURSE DIRECTOR:



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