
EDITORIAL

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 threatens the global health leading to social and economic disruption. To control the disease, travel restrictions, lockdowns, workplace hazard controls, and facility closures have been done in many countries including Myanmar. The Ministry of Health and Sports made a prompt response towards the pandemic situation by acceleration of health promotion, law enforcement and laboratory testing. Therefore, in this time, our April issue has been unavoidably delayed. However, we have made our best effort to maintain the regularity of the Myanmar Health Sciences Research Journal.

To disseminate recent basic, applied and social research findings by serving as an important medium for the publication of original research works in the field of medical science and health research, Myanmar Health Sciences Research Journal offers updated evidence-based scientific information obtained from research to health professionals for better and appropriate health care management.

In view of that, we publish this Journal, Volume 32, No. 1, consisting of 14 original research articles and a short report that contribute to a considerable value in their respective research areas. In this issue, we selected the manuscript for the study on knowledge and attitude of the dental students on teledentistry, as a leading article. The evidence suggested that awareness programs to promote teledentistry among branches of dentistry in Myanmar should be encouraged.

Other interesting and informative articles also appeared in this issue which focus on different academic perspectives covering the research finding on communicable diseases such as HIV, HCV and lymphatic filariasis, as well as non-communicable diseases such as diabetic mellitus, maternal and child health, coronary artery disease, haematological diseases, snake bite, vector bionomics, and radiation

hazard as a short report. Moreover, studies focusing on traditional medicine are also published in this issue. We do hope all of these articles will provide valuable information best applicable to the reader.

We would like to invite all medical researchers to submit their research findings to our MHSR Journal. We would also like to encourage all readers to visit our website “www.myanmarhsrj.com” for free access of the published articles.