



## OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY CLUB MEETING - #1

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 8:00 PM

Venue: Awal Ballroom, Gulf Hotel

Attendees	Attendees
Prof. Hosni Malas (Chairman)	Mr. Ahmed Musallam (Ferring - Sponsor)
Dr. Haifa Al-Turki (Speaker)	Mr. John Mathew (Medical Secretary)
Dr. Jaffar Al-Bareeq (Guest Invitee)	Ms. Sachitha Fernandes (Support Staff)
Doctors from BDF, SMC, Private Hospitals & Clinics, AGU	Ms. Rosalie Nochefranca (Support Staff)
<i>Detailed attendees list attached (Includes only those registered at the Counter)</i>	

### MINUTES

Prof. Hosni Malas opened the meeting at 8:00 PM and welcomed all the attendees from BDF, SMC, AGU, Private Hospitals and Clinics, who were presented for the first OB/GYN Club meeting. Prof. Malas expressed his gratitude towards Dr. Haifa Al-Turki (speaker), Dr. Jaffar Al-Bareeq, Ferring Pharmaceuticals (Mr. Ahmed Musallam) for sponsoring the event, and also to all the physicians, midwives, and secretarial support staff attended.

Prof. Malas briefed the objectives and purpose of the OB/GYN Club. He added that the basic idea behind establishing this Club is to exchange knowledge and expertise amongst its members. The OB/GYN Club meetings will include presentations, lectures, case discussions, and other interactive sessions which will enable the physicians to update their medical knowledge as well as to raise the standard and quality of treatment and care. Each meeting will be awarded with CME points, he added.

Prof. Malas appreciated the presence of Dr. Jaffar Al-bareeq and invited him to give a brief talk about the CME academic activities in Bahrain. Dr. Jaffar started-off by conveying the message from the CEO of the King Hamad University Hospital, Maj. Gen. Prof. Salman Al-Khalifa. On behalf of the CEO, Dr. Jaffar thanked and appreciated the efforts and initiatives taken for establishing the OB/GYN Club and wished to see that the Club meets often continuously and not to stop abruptly. Dr. Jaffar mentioned that it is important for the physicians to attend such educational activities and update their medical knowledge consistently. He stressed the importance of doing research, which is a part and parcel of Continuous Medical Education.

A brief discussion ensued as Prof. Malas invited feedbacks and suggestions from the attendees in regards to the OB/GYN Club.

Dr. Naeema from SMC proposed re-initiation of the Bahrain Obstetrics & Gynecology Association (BOGA), which has already been established before. She requested the members (including the existing members of BOGA) to write their names, if interested to this proposal. It was made clear by the Chairman that BOGA is a Society which is different from the OB/GYN Club and the only objective for establishing the OB/GYN Club is to share and update the medical knowledge amongst the members through CME activities and there should not be any politics involved.

Dr. Reda from KHUH suggested to fix a specific date and time for the OB/GYN Club meetings so that everyone can plan their schedules accordingly.

The Chairman recommended to have an Executive Committee for the OB/GYN Club so that they will be responsible for organizing the future Club meetings including fixing-up of date, time, venue, presentations, speakers, etc. by coordinating with the sponsoring company and the Club secretary, Mr. John Mathew. He also requested the attendees to drop their names with Mr. John Mathew if anyone is interested to be a part of the Committee. Their names will be circulated via email to all and 3 members or more will be selected via voting system.

Dr. Haifa Al-Turki, Associate Professor from University of Dammam, then presented a scientific lecture entitled "Updates on Management of Preterm Labour," which was very interesting. A 45-min detailed interactive Question & Answer session ensued thereafter. Certificates for all attendees presented for the OB/GYN Club meeting were distributed with 1 CME hour to their credit.

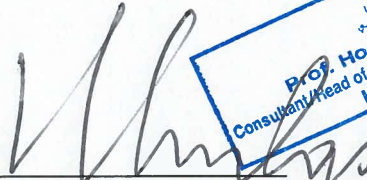
The first OB/GYN Club meeting thus adjourned at 9:30 PM followed by delicious buffet dinner.

The date of next meeting will be announced later.

Recorded and Submitted by,

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