

SoTM Workshop, Kuching, Sarawak

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The Department of Surgery, Sarawak General Hospital (SGH) successfully organised this workshop on 17th August 2018. This inaugural workshop in Sarawak was endorsed by CSAMM, and supported by Johnson & Johnson Malaysia.

Held at the University Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) Clinical Skills Lab in Kuching, the workshop began with a welcoming and official address from Dr Nik Azim bin Nik Abdullah, the Head of Department of Surgery SGH. A total of 16 participants from Department of General Surgery, Paediatric Surgery and Urology attended the lectures before participated in the hands-on and demonstration session which facilitated by Dr Hashimah binti Abdul Rahman, Upper Gastrointestinal and General

Surgeon SGH, as well as Dr Chea Chan Hooi and Dr Jesse Ron Swire Ting, general surgeons from Sibu Hospital and Kota Kinabalu respectively.

The workshop mainly intended for our surgical trainees and medical officers to provide them a platform with hands-on opportunity where sound understanding and in depth knowledge on device-tissue interaction can be obtained. All participants gained valuable knowledge and experience regarding energy and stapling devices, bleeding management and abdominal wound closure. It is hoped that the workshop will continue to be held here in Sarawak as a good training platform for the junior doctors and aspiring surgeons.

