

## DEAN'S MESSAGE

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The Faculty of Medical Sciences is pleased to welcome all stakeholders to this continuing medical education conference for 2016. The theme for the conference this year is “Updates on Cancer, Infections and Genetics: From Bench to Clinic”. Cancer has become one of the more common and crippling non-communicable diseases that is burdening the healthcare system of the Caribbean; thus, this topical issue necessitates the great interest that has been concentrated on its treatment, prevention and cure.

The importance of continuing education to medical professional development cannot be over-emphasized. In order to offer the best level of care to patients, practitioners must ensure that they are abreast with the various developments in their profession. As such, this three-day conference will act as the platform to propel knowledge in this area to our attendees. It also facilitates the display of information from avid and novice researchers while challenging our own staff and students to investigate their areas of interest.

I welcome our alumni and international and national visitors and trust that you will benefit greatly from your attendance. I wish for all a successful conference and do request that you actively participate in the days' events.

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