



Dr. Fazah Akhtar Hanapiah is a Consultant Rehabilitation Physician, currently holds the President post at Daehan Rehabilitation Hospital Putrajaya and an Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Medicine with UiTM. She graduated in 1996 from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. She completed her Housemanship at Sarawak General Hospital and was later transferred to Sibul District Hospital where she was further enriched with experiences of General Medicine.

On completion of her tenure in Sarawak, she ventured to the United Kingdom and worked at the Royal Sussex County Hospital and Brighton General Hospital in a General Medical Rotation.

On returning back to Malaysia, she continued her services with the Ministry of Health and decided to advance her career in Rehabilitation Medicine. She completed her Masters from the University of Malaya in 2009. During her training she was given the opportunity to experience a year's practice at the National Rehabilitation Hospital in Ireland. She returned with Course Certificates in Cognitive Rehabilitation Therapy from the Society of Cognitive Rehabilitation UK and Neurorehabilitation from Newcastle University UK.

Fazah found and headed the Rehabilitation Medicine Department at the Faculty of Medicine UiTM after joining the University in 2010. She held the Deputy Dean post for Research, and Innovation from 2016 till 2019. Fazah enjoys writing and started actively publishing in 2012. To date, she has produced over 50 papers and abstracts pertaining to Rehabilitation, with 722 citations, a h-index of 13 and i10-index of 18.

Fazah is also an active member of the Malaysian Association of Rehabilitation Physicians, where she is currently holding the Vice President post.

Fazah has ventured into writing expert medical reports, and has given her expert opinion in court pertaining to children with Cerebral Palsy, adults with hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy and disabilities associated with physical injuries. She has attended a medicolegal writing certificate course at the Imperial College London, and has also conducted an international workshop titled "Expert Witness & Medical Report Writing" at the International Society of Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine World Congress.

Fazah has interests in Acquired Brain Injury, Paediatric Rehabilitation and Rehabilitation Technology. Her latest research projects involve 3-D Virtual Reality Rehabilitation, Upper Limb High Fidelity Spasticity Simulator, Use of Humanoids for Cognitive Rehabilitation, Lower Limb Prosthesis and Rehabilitation Exoskeleton Actuators.