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Curriculum Vitae (summarized highlights)

Current Employment:

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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Neurologic Music Therapy (certified)	Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, USA	2018
PhD (Music Therapy)	Florida State University (FSU), USA	2013
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit-MT (certified)	Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, USA	2010
Masters Music Therapy (Equiv.)	Florida State University, USA	2009
MA (Music Psychology/Piano Performance)	University of Wales, UK	1998
BMus (Piano Performance)	University of Wales, UK	1995

Areas of Interest

Medical Music Therapy	Music Therapy in Special Needs Education
Music Therapy in Voice Rehabilitation	Music Therapy in Older Adults
Music in Child Development	Music Psychology
Music in Community & Nation Building	Research on Music in Human Development & Rehabilitation

International Music Therapy Recognition

Invited Spotlight Speaker (on UPM work)	World Congress of Music Therapy, South Africa	2020
Commission Committee	World Federation of Music Therapy	2018 to present
Global Spotlight Session	American Music Therapy Association Conference	2017
Outstanding PhD Research	American Music Therapy Association (AMTA)	2013 (selected for special showcase at 2013 AMTA conference in USA)

National Music Therapy affiliations (representing UPM Dept of Music, Faculty of Human Ecology)

Music Therapy Expert Reference	Autism Initiatives Malaysia (AIM)	2018 to present
Music Therapy Program Developer	National Cancer Institute of Malaysia (NCIM)	2018 to present
Reference Expert	Autism Initiatives Malaysia (AIM)	2018 to present
Founding President	Malaysian Music Therapy Association (MMTA)	2016 to 2018
Committee	Malaysian Society for Music in Medicine (MSMM)	2015 to present
Consultant	National Autism Society of Malaysia (NASOM)	2016 to present
Consultant/Program Developer	Malaysian Parkinson's Disease Association (MPDA)	2015 to present
Consultant/Program Developer	National Institute of Aging Research (UPM IG)	2014 to present
Consultant//Program Developer	Cheras Rehabilitation Hospital (CRH)	2016 to present
Reference Expert	Malaysian Care (MCare)	2014 to present

Professional Membership Affiliations

World Federation of Music Therapy (WFMT), American Music Therapy Association (AMTA), Malaysian Music Therapy Association (MMTA), Malaysian Society for Music in Medicine (MSMM).

CURRENT TEACHING & SUPERVISION RESPONSIBILITIES IN UPM

Courses Taught (UPM Department of Music)

Psychology & Sociology of Music	Introduction to Music Therapy	Music in Child Development
Music in Special Education	Music Management	Music Industry

Coordination Final Year Project (Department Program Coordinator)

Research Supervision Undergraduate Final Year Project, Masters, PhD

Music Therapy Clinical Supervision Undergraduate Final Year Project, Masters, PhD

Courses Taught at the UPM National Institute of Research in Ageing, U3A Lifelong Learning Program)

U3A Music Therapy (Older Adults Choir)
Creative Music Experiences for Older Adults
Music for Stress Management for Older Adults

SPECIALIZED MEDICAL MUSIC THERAPY EXPERTISE (scope of training in the US)

Fully qualified and hospital trained medical music therapist covering general medicine, medical rehabilitation, mental health and counseling, critical and intensive care in the following medical units: Stroke, Neurology (including Traumatic Brain Injury, Dementia, Parkinson's), Heart and Cardiovascular; Oncology (Cancer); Children's services (including pre and post-surgery), Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU); Accident Trauma, Emergency Medicine, Urgent Care, Mental Health & Substance Abuse, Orthopedics, Health and Fitness, Adult Outpatient Rehab, Pediatric Outpatient Rehab, Pain Management, Radiology, Echo Cardiogram, Counseling, Medical Disability.

- Medical Music Therapist Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare, Florida 2008-2012

RECENT RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS & INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS

Invited Presentations at Recent Conferences/Symposiums/Forums

“Music as a multisensory learning aid & a tool to increase creativity and imagination in children with Dyslexia” (22nd Sept, 2018), UPM UCTC Program Cilik Biodiversity, Taman Pertanian Universiti, UPM.

“Music as a tool for nation building” (16th Sept, 2018), Rempah: One Nation Fits All, Tamarind Square, Cyberjaya.

“Music for emotional regulation & anger management” (13th-14th July, 2018), Autism Initiatives Malaysia, JW Marriot, Bukit Bintang, KL.

“Music & Laughter: Everyone Can Sing” as Music Therapist-Conductor of UPM Older Adults Inclusion Choir (25th – 26th August, 2018), Sunway Putra Hotel, Organized by the Philharmonic Society of Selangor.

“Music in mental health for youth development” (March 11th-12th, 2018), Sarawak Islamic Centre, Kuching, Malaysia.

“Music and its benefits for special needs children”, (31st March, 2018), Trinity Examination Board , UK, Bentley Music.

“The role of Music Therapy in Parkinson’s rehabilitation” – World Parkinson’s Day, Hospital Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (HUKM), (16th April, 2018).