

MMA welcomes setting up of task force by MoH

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PUTRAJAYA: The Malaysian Medical Association (MMA) hopes the independent task force set up by the Health Ministry will look into the entire training system, and sources of stress experienced by other health sector workers, and not just trainee doctors.

Its president Dr Koh Kar Chai said the establishment of a special task force to investigate the recent deaths of a trainee doctor, as well as cases of bullying in the health sector, is a good measure.

"MMA has been working with the ministry for a long time and received complaints among healthcare sector staff.

"We cannot deny that some of the bullying cases cannot be resolved properly but with the existence of this independent body, it will help to some extent," he said in a statement, today.

Yesterday, Health Minister Khairy Jamaluddin said an independent task force will be set up to investigate the death of a houseman at the Penang Hospital (HPP) and the alleged culture of bullying.

The houseman was reported to have fallen to his death from a rented apartment on April 17.

Penang Health Department director Dr Maarof Sudin confirmed that the victim was a graduate medical officer who had reported for work at HPP on April 4.