



## Protect the *Rakyat's* Health during Political Transitions

Firstly, we wish to record our highest appreciation for all front-line civil servants in the health, immigration and other agencies who are protecting Malaysia from COVID-19. During periods of national crisis, your courage, skill and sacrifice will unite your country.

The highest priority of our government and society is to protect the health and safety of our citizens. We are still fighting the COVID-19 outbreak while delivering routine healthcare to 32 million Malaysians. We cannot compromise health even during periods of national uncertainty or political transitions, as our government's legitimacy and our society's harmony depend on the *Rakyat's* health.

As leaders in Malaysia's health system, we stand firmly behind the Health Ministry's leadership. We urge:

1. All stakeholders to continue protecting the health of the *Rakyat* during any political transitions,
2. All politicians and political parties, all civil societies, the entire private sector and all citizens to unite behind our health professionals and the health service,
3. A balanced emphasis on COVID-19 responses and routine healthcare, with adequate logistical, financial and human resources support for the Health Ministry and other agencies,
4. A renewed emphasis on protecting front-line professionals with adequate equipment such as masks, gloves and protective suits, and appropriate measures to avoid fatigue, stress or burn-out,
5. All citizens to use the health service responsibly and respectfully.

We stand firmly behind the Health Ministry, as their leadership is crucial for the continuity of services. We take this opportunity to thank YB Datuk Seri Dr Dzulkefly Ahmad and YB Dr Lee Boon Chye for their exemplary commitment and service.

We are united in fulfilling our duty to Malaysia and to our fellow citizens. We urge every stakeholder to prioritize the *Rakyat* and protect their health.

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