UMS developing Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Postgraduate Specialization Program

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) through the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FPSK) is in the process of developing the Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Postgraduate Specialization Program and several other clinical programs.

It is in line with the establishment of Hospital Universiti Malaysia Sabah (HUMS), in addition to the need for clinical expertise services in the hospitals of the Ministry of Health Malaysia (KKM) in Sabah.

According to FPSK Head of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Department, Datuk Dr D Kamarudin D Mudin, the development of the specialty programs is expected to boost the medical clinical academic ecosystem in this state and regionally.

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Malaysian Head of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Services, Dr Zalina Abdul Razak, to discuss the potential and opportunities for collaboration between UMS and KKM.

"This program is expected to provide a more integrated direction in the collaboration between UMS, related agencies, the Sabah State Health Department and the Ministry of Health for the mission of producing experts to meet regional needs.

"With the relocation of the Indonesian capital to Borneo Island, it is expected to result in an increase in the number of regional residents. This will require a more sustainable health ecosystem and a greater number of specialists," added Dr Kamarudin.

The three-day program included lectures, round

table discussions regarding collaboration opportunities between UMS and the Ministry of Health as well as a Board of Studies meeting for the Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Postgraduate Specialization Program being developed at UMS.

In addition, the program also discussed collaboration opportunities between UMS and the Malaysian Armed Forces Hospital, Kota Kinabalu Region to contribute their expertise as one of the suggested Anesthesia and Intensive Care Postgraduate Program modules.