

Editorial

It is indeed a great honour for us to be a part of this issue of Ceylon Journal of otolaryngology and to be working closely with the College Council for the academic year 2016 through 2017. The response to this year's Journal has been very encouraging with multiple local authors contributing quality research articles and case reports.

The original article highlighted in this issue is something all young surgeons should be very aware of as it deals with portfolio management for consultants. The surgical portfolio is now a requirement in most developed countries. The concept may be daunting to the uninitiated but, once we get started on regular documentation and updating of our practice within the framework of portfolio topics it becomes much easier. Our classic excuse is that we are too busy to set aside the time to update our portfolios but in reality are we? Are we actually afraid of trying something new?

Although portfolio assessment is part of our board certification process and guidelines have been published by the PGIM regarding this, we still feel the process needs to be refined. We personally follow the GMC sanctioned areas for data collection highlighted in their guide to good medical practice. Also helpful is the Royal College of surgeons E log book which provides a platform to document our surgeries and provide accepted validation.

We have the potential; it is imperative that we let the world know it. Keep on publishing.

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