

LETTER TO STUDENTS AND DOCTORS

DOI: 10.5935/2238-3182.20150063

Earlier this year, the School of Medicine of the Federal University of Minas Gerais received Prof. Celmo Celso Porto, a former student who graduated in 1958 in the XXX class with exceptional didactic and pedagogical contribution in the field of human relations and Medical Semiology, to participate in the Examining Board for the Full Professor Position in the Department of Internal Medicine, in which one of the priorities in the process of this evaluation was to promote a discussion about the course of Internal Medicine, not only as a medical specialty, but as a sustaining ideology of the training and practice of humanistic and humanitarian medical doctors, sensitive and sensitized to promote solidarity and equitable wellness that all desire and deserve, and is the essence of individual and social peace.

Prof. Celmo is a Brazilian stronghold of an uncompromising defense of Medicine, which remains eager to search the careful doctor-patient relationship with life's anamnesis; on the examination of individual and collective consciousness, which recognizes the foundation of self-knowledge as the leverage for understanding truths and lies, accountability and oversight, humility and arrogance, tolerance and arrogance, which accompanies the human journey in search of the developmental process; and understanding the reality of existence.

The practice of Medicine and the life of doctors present critical paths in this moment of the Brazilian history, of great challenge, where appearances and virtual stand out for what is and supplant the timeless and delicate contemplation that allows the penetration into the apparent impenetrable human spirit; and drives the transgressive transformation, enviable in the human spirit that marks the boldness into paths toward peace.

The fight of Prof. Celmo to provide alerts to the human overcoming in the search of broad and focused medical training, where the doctor is himself the propaedeutic and therapeutics, capable to meet the needs of each person for the well-being of life, led the Medical Journal of Minas Gerais to request his participation in this psycho-pedagogical process to promote a discussion about the doctor's pathways as a social worker and individual, essential for meeting the person himself and his family and society, able to find the path's crossroad as the most suitable option for his advancement.

Thus, from this number on, Prof. Celmo will offer everyone, in Letters to Students and Doctors in Brazil, in the Medical Education session, light pathways for a self-understanding of how to self-propel into the practice of a careful Medicine that embraces the person.

The Medical Journal of Minas Gerais is thankful to the Guanabara-Koogan Publishers for authorizing the publication of texts from Prof. Celmo, which are its property, and which will certainly be of great contribution to the development of a collective awareness of what is the Medicine that all desire and deserve.

Prof. Dr. Enio Roberto Pietra Pedroso
Editor of the Medical Journal of Minas Gerais
Full Professor at the Department of Internal Medicine
of the Medical School of UFMG.
Belo Horizonte, MG – Brazil.