# **GME Staff Wellness and Engagement Framework-**Singapore Healthcare Management 2023

# Active GME Campaign 2023

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Part 2 Challenge starts in August 2023.

In this challenge MORE THAN 100,000 bonus steps can be earned as a team on

#### INTRODUCTION

In alignment with the SingHealth Duke-NUS Education strategic thrust of Fostering Wellness, the GME (Graduate Medical Education Office) Wellness and Engagement Framework strives to enhance staff well-being via a consolidated platform that offers continued physiological and psychological care for our staff. Launched in 2020, this is the third running year which the framework has been providing different initiatives and activities aimed at promoting personal wellness and fostering good working relationships. At the start of every financial year, the organizing team would introduce a specific theme to the year-long wellness programme to emphasize on a particular health/wellness message and to tie in the activities within the given direction.

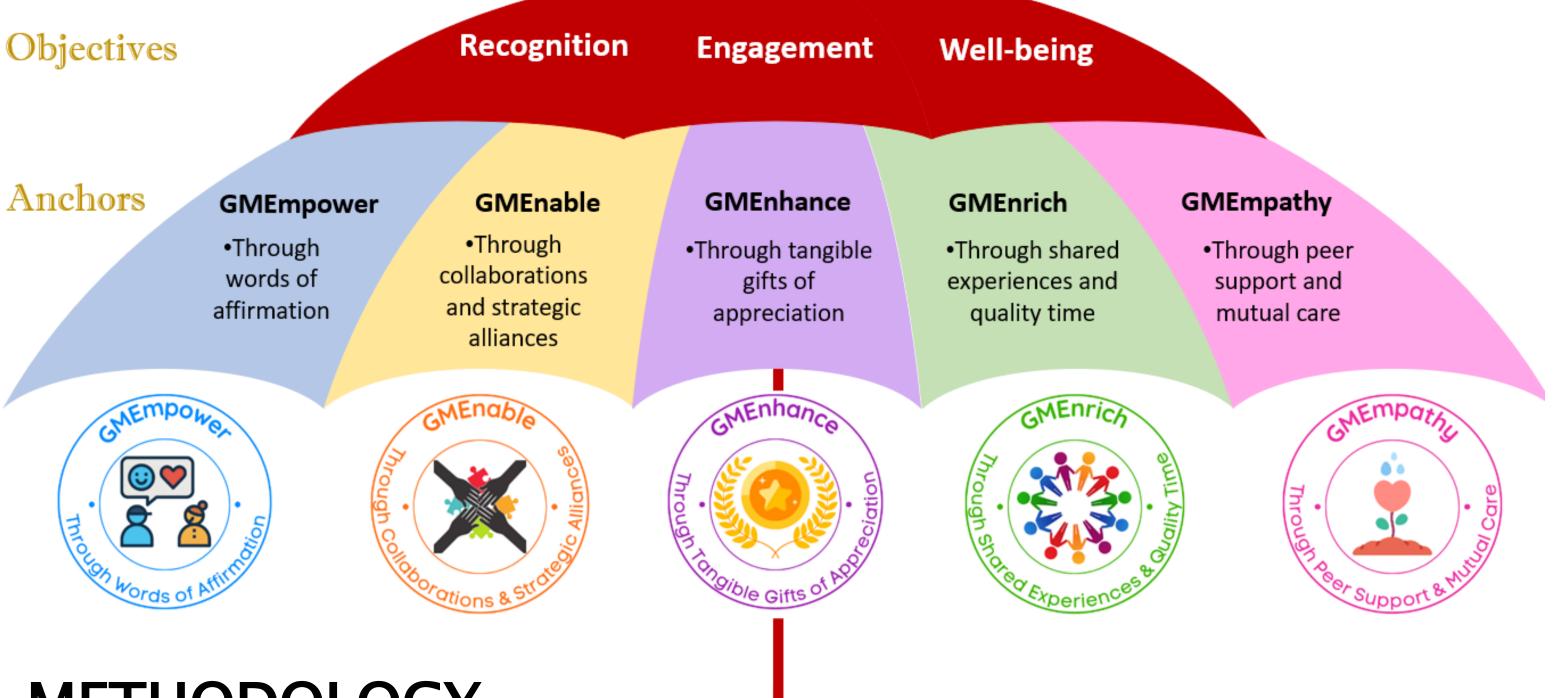
#### **AIMS**

The key message that GME wishes to send out this year is for staff to stay active and eat well. Hence, in support of Healthier SG, a national initiative by MOH that encourages people to take essential steps towards better health, GME kickstarted the ACTIVE GME CAMPAIGN 2023 in April with the aims to promote staff wellbeing through a series of activities that promotes an active lifestyle and healthier eating habits. Similar to the previous themes, these activities are guided by the three key objectives and five main anchors of the framework. They provide the parameters for the initiatives planned under the campaign.





#### GME Wellness and Engagement Framework



### **METHODOLOGY**

Spanning 7 months, the campaign comprises 3 key initiatives.

The first initiative-GMExercise: Strongest Legs Challenge, invites all staff to partake in a team-based exercise contest. In teams of 4, the staff will accumulate as many steps as possible through any form of physical activity. The main idea of the contest is to encourage participants to stay active daily as every step counts toward their total team score.

Besides this individual component, participants are also given the incentive to work out with their teammates. The second part of the challenge will commence in August, and teams will be given a "Bingo" of group missions to unlock and earn bonus steps. Through this, the framework aims to tighten the bonds within GME (via *GMEnrich anchor*), as staff come together to attain a goal aside from work. From April to September, the team which accumulates the highest number of steps will be the final winner for the challenge (via GMEmpower & GMEnhance anchors).

The second initiative is centered around healthy eating habits. April 2023 was designated as GME's Healthy Month, and the focus of mindful eating was at the forefront. As a start, all staff had received a fruit pack to encourage them to incorporate healthy foods into their daily diet.

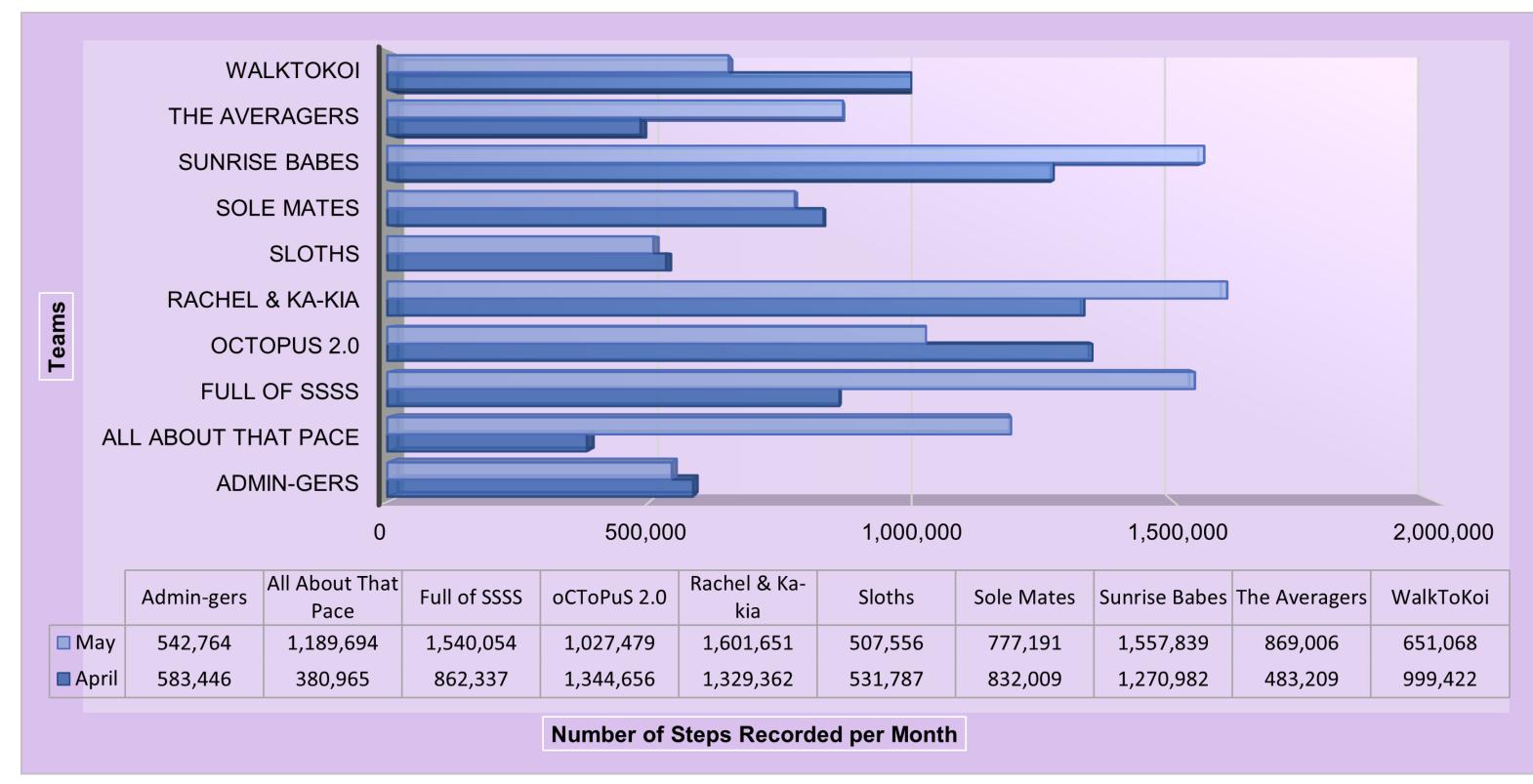
Lastly, the campaign will be rounded off by a team bowling competition in October at GME's annual Teambonding Retreat. This final activity neatly wraps up the entire campaign and reiterates the message to stay active. Top winners of the GMExercise: Strongest Legs Challenge will also be announced and awarded at this event.

#### **RESULTS**

Scores will be tabulated based on the number of

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10 teams have signed up for GMExercise: Strongest Legs Challenge, and the results thus far have been very encouraging. Almost 19 million steps have been recorded for all teams for the months of April and May, with at least 4 teams hitting a total of at least 2 million steps each. The chart below shows the respective steps recorded for each team over these two months. ACTIVE GME 2023 has generated highly positive responses from our staff, as they find greater motivation and incentive to maintain an active lifestyle with their peers.



## **CONCLUSION**

ACTIVE GME CAMPAIGN 2023 serves as an effective tool in enhancing staff's physical and mental well-being, while strengthening the bond between colleagues through communication and collaboration skills in the process. It seeks to echo the aim behind Healthier SG, which is to encourage people to take steps to enhance their personal well-being amidst of their hectic lives. With a competing format in place, ACTIVE GME creates a push factor for staff to make time for exercise in the form of heading out for a workout session or just simply getting up from their seat to move about whenever needed. Through Healthy Month initiative, GME hopes to promote mindful eating among our staff, especially for those who often get caught up with work and choose convenience over nutrition. By delivering fruits and useful tips and information on achieving a balanced diet, the campaign hopes to cultivate healthier eating habits in the long run.