

# Chapter 8:

Persian Medicine Festival





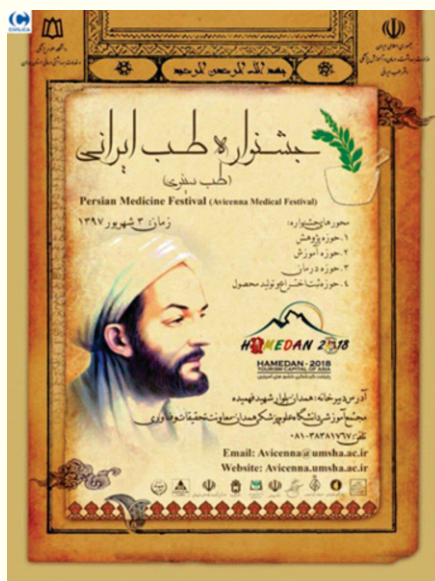
"Festival of Persian Medicine" that permanent secretariat is located in the Office of Persian and Complementary Medicine at Ministry of Health and Medical Education, was approved in the sixth meeting of Traditional Medicine Policy Council, chaired by Mr. Dr. Hashemi, former minister of health. dated 04/05/2016; in order to the implementation of paragraph "12" of the general policies of the health system announced by the Supreme Leader, paragraph "C" of Article 74 of the Law of the Sixth Development Plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the National Document of Medicinal Plants and Traditional Medicine approved by the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution; and its guideline was sent to the universities of medical sciences all over the country. The winners of the main axes of the festival, including the research, education, treatment, technology and veteran sectors, will receive the National medalion of Hikmat (Wisdom) from the Ministry of Health and Medical Education.

### Hikmat Medalion



#### Goals and plans:

- Identifying, introducing, and honoring the high status of scientists, researchers, inventors, innovators and top technologists in the field of Persian medicine, traditional pharmacy, and medical history in the fields of education, research and service provision
- Financial and non-financial supports for selected, innovative, creative and entrepreneurial people and expanding the spirit and culture of self-confidence in the society
- Providing a suitable platform for scientific and technological cooperation between scientific and research centers
- Laying the groundwork for commercialization and applying the results of research and initiatives in order to contribute to the balanced development of the country
- Increasing the motivation, strengthening the capacities, and synergizing the capabilities of all scientists, thinkers, researchers, professors, students and practitioners in the fields of Persian medicine, traditional pharmacy and medical history, as well as strengthening the field of discourse, interaction and exchange of opinions of the two schools of common medicine and Persian medicine
- Development and expansion of Persian medicine culture by using art tools among members of the society



#### The first Persian medicine festival

"The first festival of Persian medicine (Sinavi medicine)" hosted by Hamedan University of Medical Sciences and in 4 areas of education, research, treatment, and patents and product production in the fields of Persian medicine, traditional pharmacy and medical history was held on August 25, 2018.

The scientific committee was formed with the presence of professors and top faculty members of the schools of Persian medicine all over the country, and after reviewing the documents of the applicants and nominations by the faculty, group or research center, the chosen ones were introduced by the festival secretariat.



### The second Persian medicine festival

"The Second Persian Medicine Festival" was held in 3 scientific, culture and art, and special (Covid 19) sections with the main axes of education, research and providing services in the fields of Persian medicine, traditional pharmacy and medical history.

The number of participants of the second Persian medicine festival was 565, which has grown significantly compared to the first period.

One of the most important strength points of the second period of the festival has been the addition of the culture and art section and special (the Covid-19) part in the competition section, the electronicization of the registration process, the entry of documents and judging, and the launch of the information website of the permanent secretariat of the festival.



### The third Persian medicine festival

The Secretariat of the 3rd Persian Medicine Festival started its work in May 2022 and by holding 20 meetings of the Plan and Program Council, 2 meetings of the Policy-Making Council and 15 meetings of the Scientific Committee, it prepared the preparations for the conclusion of this national event.

holding 2 meetings of the policy-making council with the presence of professors; faculty members in the field of Persian medicine, traditional pharmacy and history of medicine, representatives of cooperating institutions and organizations, and 3 representatives of the Parliament members from related commissions to the field of Persian medicine, were points to consider in this period of the festival.

According to the naming of the year 1401 (Solar Hijri) as "Production; Knowledge-based and job-creating" by the Supreme Leader and the nativeness of the rich school of Persian medicine; the Permanent Secretariat of the 3rd Persian Medicine Festival has chosen the slogan of this period of the festival, as "Iranian medicine; The path of progress and scientific innovation" according to the potential capacities of Persian medicine in production, entrepreneurship and knowledge-based technologies.

The third period of the festival in the main scientific sections including the axes of education, research, treatment, technology, international and veterans, and side sections of culture and art (including short stories for children, calligraphy, short and documentary films, posters and infographics, photography, motion graphics), students (including painting, story writing, computer games, toys and board games) and a special section will be held with the presence of the Ministers of Health and Medical Education, and Education on January 24, 2023. Considering the importance of having children and announcing the general policies of the population; the special theme of the 3rd Persian Medicine Festival was dedicated to "the youth of the population" and finally 46 winners were selected in this period of the festival. Also, in the senior veteran section, 2 veterans who were directly elected by the members of the policymaking council were honored. The increase in the works sent to the festival in the following graph shows the increase in the popularity of the festival during its holding periods.

### The number of works registered in the 3 periods of the festival

- First Festival: 86
- Second Festival: 565
- Third Festival



