



Chapter of General Surgeons College of Surgeons, Singapore Annual Report 2007

CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members have served their office from 2007-2008:

Chairman:	Dr Swaminathan Ikshuvanam
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Cheah Wei Keat
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Chia Kok Hoong
Board Members:	Dr Chan Hsiang Sui
	Dr Hoe Nan Yuh, Michael
	Dr Lim Teck Hock, Dennis
	Dr So Bok Yan, Jimmy
	Dr Leong Peng Kheong, Adrian Francis (Co-opted)
	Dr Cheng Kui Sing, Anton (Co-opted)
	Dr Chow Kah Hoe, Pierce (Co-opted)

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2007-2008 Chapter Board had met three times to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for year 2007.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2007 under the Chapter of General Surgeons now stands at 143 Fellows comprises of 139 Local Fellows and 4 Overseas Fellows.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

CME Calendar

The Chapter Board has consolidated the CME activities of the Dept of General Surgery from both public and private hospitals and compiled into a CME calendar for ease of reference for the Chapter Members. The CME calendar may be accessed at the College of Surgeons' website at www.css.edu.sg under *CME Activities – General Surgery*.

Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium in 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The Chapter has organised a Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium on 21 July 2007 at the Raffles City Convention Centre in conjunction with the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine hosted by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Speakers invited to speak in this symposium were Prof AY Jasmi from Hospital University Kebangsaan Malaysia, A/Prof Lawrence Ho from National University Hospital, A/Prof Louis Phee from National Technological University and Dr Owen Noel Newton Fernando from National University of

Singapore. The symposium was co-chaired by A/Prof Cheah Wei Keat and Dr Kum Cheng Kiong.

ACTIVITIES IN THE PIPELINE

Chapter Newsletter

The Chapter Board plans to write and publish a Chapter Newsletter on a quarterly basis to keep the Chapter Members up-to-date on the happenings of the General Surgery community as well as to share worthy articles and case studies with Chapter Members.

Exit Examination Preparatory Course 2008 for Advanced Specialist Trainees (ASTs)

The Chapter Board plans to organise an exit exam preparatory course for the ASTs from 25-28 June 2008 and will work with the Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST) to ensure the completeness and appropriateness of the preparatory course to serve as a platform for the ASTs to tap on in preparation for their exit exams. Course information will be available and disseminated when nearer the date.

Table of Surgical Procedures (TOSP) Review called by Ministry of Health (MOH)

The Chapter has submitted its returns of the TOSP table to MOH for Phase 1 in April 2007 and will continue to work with MOH on Phase 2 of the TOSP review exercise as well as in finalising the codes.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows for their support rendered in the past year and we look forward to your ongoing support for future projects.

December 2007

A/Prof Chia Kok Hoong

Honorary Secretary

On behalf of 2007-2008 Board, Chapter of General Surgeons