



Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons College of Surgeons, Singapore Annual Report 2009

3RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons was held on Monday, 27 April 2009 at 5.35pm at Meeting Room 2U84 (Level 2), KK Women's and Children's Hospital, Paediatric Clinical Office, Children's Tower, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899.

CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members have served their office from 2009-2010:

Chairman:	Dr Chui Chan Hon
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Loh Ser Kheng, Dale Lincoln
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Low Yee
Members:	Dr Anette S. Jacobsen
	Dr Ong Choo Phaik, Caroline
	Dr Ong Lin Yin

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2009-2010 Chapter Board had met one time to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for year 2009.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2009 under the Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons now stands at 13 Fellows comprising of 11 Local Fellows and 2 Overseas Fellows.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

Combined Journal Club Meetings

Announcements of the combined Journal Club meetings which are usually being held on the Friday of the 8th week, jointly organized by the National University Hospital (NUH) and the KK Women's & Children's Hospital (KKH), were circulated to Chapter Members via email blast.

ENDORSEMENT OF EVENTS

The Chapter has endorsed the following events in 2009:

1. Combined Journal Club Meetings of KKH and NUH which were held as follows:
 - On 30 January 2009 at KKH on *Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in Infants with Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia: A Systematic Review Of The Evidence*
 - On 5 June 2009 at KKH on *The Great VUR Debate: Case-based and Evidence-based Learning*
 - On 21 August 2009 at NUH on *Laparoscopic Versus Open Appendectomy in Children - A Meta-Analysis*
 - On 25 September 2009 at KKH on *Peritoneal Drainage or Laparotomy for Neonatal Bowel Perforation?*
2. Paediatric Robotic Surgery Workshop of the South-East-Asia Paediatric Endoscopic Group (SEAPEG) held from 6-7 November 2009 at NUH.

PARTICIPATION IN MINISTRY OF HEALTH'S INITIATIVES

Review of Levels of Medical Capability (LMC)

All Specialty Chapters under the College of Surgeons, Singapore were invited by the Ministry of Health through the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) in June 2009 to participate in the Review of Levels of Medical Capability (LMC) to provide feedback on the existing LMC manual on the medical capabilities at level 1 and 2 that are currently performed at regional hospitals versus teaching hospitals. Review and feedback included the following:

1. Proposed additional of new services or removal of obsolete services
2. Proposed changes in terminology or description of services and/or changes in level of services
3. Identification of services which can only be performed under a tertiary setting
4. Identification of essential support services required for adequate provision of services

The Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons submitted its inputs to MOH through AMS in July 2009.

ACTIVITIES IN THE PIPELINE

Quarterly CME Updates

The Chapter plans to organise quarterly updates on the sub-specialties of the practice in 2010. The quarterly updates would be organised in conjunction with the combined Journal Club meetings or as an individual CME activity. Details will be announced when available.

Practical Hands-on Workshop for Medical Officers & Trainees

The Chapter plans to organize a hands-on workshop for Medical Officers and trainees in the 2nd half of 2010. Details will be announced in due course.

Chapter Dinner Lecture

The Chapter is looking at inviting prominent regional speakers for its inaugural Chapter Lectureship and will be organizing it as a dinner lecture. Information will be disseminated in due progress.

Support to the SEAPEG Workshop in 2010

The Chapter will continue to give its support to the SEAPEG Workshop to be held in 4th quarter of 2010.

APPRECIATION

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

December 2009

Dr Low Yee

Honorary Secretary

On behalf of 2009-2010 Board, Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons