

COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS, SINGAPORE

The College of Dental Surgeons, Singapore (CDSS) was set up on 6 August 2008 as a Company Limited by Guarantee (Unique Entity Number (UEN): 200815442W). It was registered under the Charities Act on 27 June 2014.



Its registered address is at 81 Kim Keat Road, #11-00 NKF Centre, Singapore 328836. Its banker is UOB and auditor is Fiducia LLP.

The objectives of the Charity are as follows:

- The College will improve and co-ordinate professional development with Specialty Societies and like bodies, locally, regionally and internationally.
- Through the representative(s) in the Chapters, Specialist Societies will be able to contribute to the development of clinical practice guidelines, recommendation of clinical indicators to the relevant authorities, drafting of consensus/position statements, certification and recertification of specialists, etc. The College may also provide secretariat support to societies who need such support.
- The College will help to fulfil the professional development of dental specialist by conducting several continuing professional education activities every year for dental specialists.
- In addition to carrying out continuing education for specialists, the College also plans to work towards the conduct of educational activities for non-dental professionals & lay publics, thus strengthening its “social role” for dental specialists.
- The College will also collaborate with other Dental Colleges internationally and contribute to dental specialist organisations regionally.
- The College will aim to be proactive and take leading roles in the professional development and self-regulation of the dental fraternity.

The College is financially supported by donations, income from conducting the specialist accreditation examinations and income generated from activities organised by the College. As at 31 December 2017, there is one full-time administrative staff allocated on a shared basis from Academy of Medicine, Singapore to help with the administrative work. The College’s financial report is available separately.

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Dr Andrew Ow



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

As a professional association that represents the seven dental specialties in Singapore, CDSS strives to be a leader in the professional development of dental specialists.

In January 2017, we had our CDSS Annual Get Together session with current Fellows and welcomed newly exited dental specialists to the fraternity. These sessions provide an opportunity to present the roles of the College and AMS to our new dental specialists. CDSS activities have been a continuation of our previous initiatives, with several new ones underway for 2018. These include study club meetings, development of clinical practice guidelines and the provision of professional opinions. I would like to thank our previous CDSS Council (2016-2017), under the leadership of Dr Bryce Lee, for their efforts in spearheading these projects.

The CDSS Scientific Symposium, ‘Anti-Thrombotics and Dentistry – The Clot Thickens’, held in April 2017 was a culmination of months of hard work by a subcommittee from the Chapter of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons that was formed to formulate a set of evidence-based clinical guidelines for dental practitioners in the management of dental patients on anti-thrombotics. These clinical guidelines were endorsed by both the Chapter of Haematology and AMS. The symposium was well attended and the lectures were well received. Booklets summarising the clinical practice guidelines were distributed. I would like to thank Dr Winston Tan and the subcommittee for their time, effort and contributions to the formulation of these guidelines.

The College’s 8th Conferment Ceremony was held on 25 May 2017 with A/Prof Chin Jing Jih as guest orator and AMS Assistant Master, Dr Khoo Kei Siong, as Guest-of-Honour. Eight Fellows were conferred CDSS Fellowship Certificates and received our College pin. At the recent AMS Induction Comitia in July 2017, seven new Fellows were admitted into AMS. I would like to congratulate all new Fellows on achieving this significant milestone.

The Joint Committee for Dental Specialist Accreditation (JCDSA) is an integral part of CDSS, and reinforces the commitment by CDSS in ensuring the highest standards of professional education and training for dental specialists. On behalf the Dental Specialist Accreditation Board (DSAB), two successful exam diets were held in March and September 2017. Credit goes to JCDSA Chairperson, Dr Loh Poey Ling, and all the

Dental Specialist Accreditation Committee Chairmen and committee members, who have worked tirelessly in ensuring the successful conduct of these exam diets. We will continue to uphold the standards of these exams and further streamline the conduct of the assessments.

I would like to thank all past CDSS Presidents, Council members and Chapter committee members for their significant contributions and for giving the current Council a solid foundation to carry on good work for our dental profession. I would also like to thank all Fellows for their support and hope that we will be able to serve them better. Finally, I would like to thank Master of AMS, Dr S R E Sayampanathan, Council and AMS staff for their continued support and invaluable advice.

THE 2017-2019 COUNCIL

President	Dr Andrew Ow <i>Director (from 23 May 2012)</i>
Immediate Past President	Dr Bryce Lee <i>Director (from 28 May 2009)</i>
Vice-President	Dr Poh Yu Jin <i>Director (from 7 May 2014)</i>
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Chang Kok Meng <i>Director (from 24 May 2016)</i>
Honorary Secretary	Dr Lui Jeen Nee <i>Director (from 22 May 2013)</i>
Council Members	Dr Andrew Aw <i>Director (from 20 April 2015)</i>
	Dr Henry Ho <i>Director (from 22 May 2013)</i>
	Dr Toh Siew Luan <i>Director (from 22 May 2013)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Endodontists	Dr Tay Li Chye <i>Director (from 20 April 2015)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons	Dr Shawn Goh <i>Director (from 25 May 2017)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Orthodontists	Dr Geraldine Lee <i>Director (from 25 May 2017)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Paediatric Dentists	Dr Bien Lai <i>Director (from 25 May 2017)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Periodontists	Dr Wong Li Beng <i>Director (from 25 May 2017)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Prosthodontists	Dr Elvin Leong <i>Director (from 20 April 2015)</i>
Chairman, Chapter of Public Health Dentists	Dr Gabriel Chong <i>Director (from 25 May 2017)</i>



*Seated (from left):
Dr Bryce Lee (Immediate Past President), Dr Poh Yu Jin (Vice-President),
Dr Andrew Ow (President), Dr Chang Kok Meng (Honorary Treasurer),
Dr Geraldine Lee (Chairman, Chapter of Orthodontists)*

*Standing (from left):
Dr Tay Li Chye (Chairman, Chapter of Endodontists),
Dr Andrew Aw (Council Member), Dr Shawn Goh (Chairman,
Chapter of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons), Dr Gabriel Chong (Chairman,
Chapter of Public Health Dentists), Dr Wong Li Beng (Chairman, Chapter
of Periodontists)*

*Not in photo:
Dr Lui Jeen Nee (Honorary Secretary), Dr Henry Ho (Council Member),
Dr Toh Siew Luan (Council Member), Dr Bien Lai (Chairman, Chapter
of Paediatric Dentists), Dr Elvin Leong (Chairman, Chapter
of Prosthodontists)*

SPECIALTY CHAPTERS

In accordance to the Constitution of the College of Dental Surgeons, Singapore, the specialty chapters are to serve a two-year term. The Committee Members of the seven Chapters of the College (2017-2018) are as follows:

Chapter of Endodontists	
Chairman	Dr Tay Li Chye
Vice-Chairman	Dr Lui Jeen Nee
Secretary	Dr Kuah Hong Guan
Committee Member	Dr Benny Goh
Committee Member	Dr Wu Siwen
Chapter of Orthodontists	
Chairman	Dr Geraldine Lee
Vice-Chairman	Dr Sylvia Tan
Committee Member	Dr Vicipearly Wong
Committee Member	Dr Patricia Yeong
Committee Member	Dr Marina Teh
Chapter of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons	
Chairman	Dr Shawn Goh
Vice-Chairman	Dr Lye Kok Weng
Honorary Secretary	Dr Wee Tze Haur
Committee Member	Dr Winston Tan
Committee Member	Dr Clement Lye Poh Wah
Chapter of Periodontists	
Chairman	Dr Wong Li Beng
Vice-Chairman	Dr Tan Wah Ching
Honorary Secretary	Dr Yang Jingrong
Committee Member	Dr Daylene Leong
Committee Member	Dr Jonathan Foo

Chapter of Paediatric Dentists

Chairman	Dr Bien Lai
Vice-Chairman	Dr Terry Teo
Committee Member	Dr Tang Kok Siew

Chapter of Prosthodontists

Chairman	Dr Elvin Leong Woei Jian
Vice-Chairman	Dr Simon Ng Dih Hann
Honorary Secretary	Dr Seetoh Yoong Liang
Committee Member	Dr Kelvin Khng Kwang Yong

Chapter of Public Health Dentists

Chairman	Dr Gabriel Chong
Vice-Chairman	Dr Hemalatha Nathan
Committee Member	Dr Holy Koh Jr

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council held three meetings in 2017 on 29 June, 24 August and 12 October.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

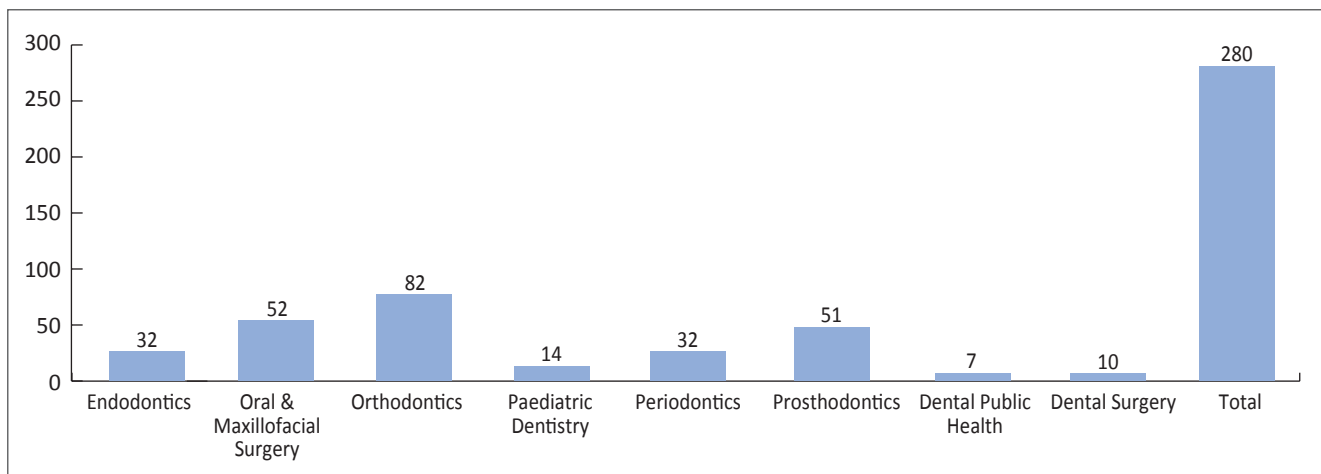
The College held its 9th Annual General Meeting on 25 May 2017 in conjunction with the 8th Conferment Ceremony at Furama RiverFront Hotel.

MEMBERSHIP

The total number of members in the College stood at 280 as at 31 December 2017. There were 264 Local Fellows, 11 Overseas Fellows and five Ordinary Members.

The following were admitted into the Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore in the year 2017:

- Dr Patrick Finbarr Allen
- Dr Foo Lean Heong
- Dr Hong Kangleun
- Dr Dephne Leong Jack Xin
- Dr Irene Sim Guat Bee
- Dr S Senathirajah Mohanarajah
- Dr Sylvia Tan

**ACTIVITIES****CDSS NEW YEAR GET-TOGETHER 2017**

The College held a New Year Get-Together session on 19 January 2017 at the NKF Centre Singapore. The networking event aimed to give non-Fellows an opportunity to meet, interact and share with Fellows of the College.

COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS, SINGAPORE 8TH CONFERMENT CEREMONY 2017

The College held its 8th Conferment Ceremony on 25 May 2017 at the Furama RiverFront Hotel Singapore. The College was privileged to have A/Prof Chin Jing Jih (Deputy Chairman of the Medical Board; Senior Consultant Geriatrician, Chairman, Division of Integrated and Community Care; and Director, Institute of Geriatrics and Active Ageing) as the CDSS Distinguished Guest Orator. *President of the College*



(2015-2017), Dr Bryce Lee (right), presenting a plaque to A/Prof Chin Jing Jih.

The College conferred Fellowship certificate and a collar pin bearing the College's logo to eight Fellows of the College: Drs Dephne Leong Jack Xin, Jason Su Jian Xiang, Soh Jen, Kelvin Koh Poh Leong, Yao Chao Shu, S Senathirajah Mohanarajah, Lai Wen Pui Bien and Toh Siew Luan.



New Fellows Dr Kelvin Poh (in left photo), Dr Bien Lai (in middle photo) and Dr Toh Siew Luan (in right photo) were conferred Fellowships by Dr Bryce Lee, President of the College (2015-2017) (to their right) and Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Assistant Master, AMS (to their left).



New Fellows Dr S Senathirajah Mohanarajah (in left photo), and Dr Soh Jen (in right photo) were conferred Fellowships by Dr Bryce Lee, President of the College (2015-2017) (to their right) and Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Assistant Master, AMS (to their left).



New Fellows Dr Jason Su (in left photo), and Dr Dephne Leong (in right photo) were conferred Fellowships by Dr Bryce Lee, President of the College (2015-2017) (to their right) and Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Assistant Master, AMS (to their left).



College President (2015-2017), Dr Bryce Lee (left) and Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Assistant Master, AMS (right) conferring Fellowship to Dr Yao Chao Shu.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LECTURES

DATE	TOPIC	SPEAKER
15 April	Antithrombotic and Dentistry – The Clot Thickens	Dr Winston Tan
28 November	Briefing on the Dental Specialist Accreditation Application Process	Dr Loh Poey Ling

JOINT COMMITTEE FOR DENTAL SPECIALIST ACCREDITATION EXAMS

The Joint Committee on Dental Specialist Assessment conducted its exit examination in the months of March and September 2017 at the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Six specialities were involved with the candidate assessments of their respective specialities.

FORMATION OF WORKGROUP

The College formed a workgroup on 'The Use of Antibiotics in Dentistry: An Evidence-Based Practice' chaired by Dr Myra Elliott and Co-Chair, Dr Shawn Goh. The purpose of the workgroup is to produce a clinical practice guideline (with evidence-based statements) on the use of antibiotics in dentistry. Two meetings were held since the formation of the workgroup in July 2017.

COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE

A total of five Council meetings were held for the year to discuss the business and affairs of the College.

NAME	DESIGNATION	ATTENDANCE
Dr Andrew Ow	President	5
Dr Bryce Lee	Immediate Past President	5
Dr Andrew Aw Kian-Li	Council Member	3
Dr Chang Kok Meng	Council Member	4
Dr Henry Ho Chee Wai	Council Member	4
Dr Tay Li Chye	Council Member	3
Dr Lui Jeen Nee	Council Member	3
Dr Poh Yu-Jin	Council Member	5
Dr Toh Siew Luan	Council Member	3
Dr Geraldine Lee Ping	Chairman, Chapter of Orthodontists	5
Dr Tay Li Chye	Chairman, Chapter of Endodontists	4
Dr Shawn Goh Siak Shyong	Chairman, Chapter of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons	4
Dr Bien Lai Wen Pui	Chairman, Chapter of Paediatric Dentists	3
Dr Wong Li Beng	Chairman, Chapter of Periodontists	4
Dr Elvin Leong Woei Jian	Chairman, Chapter of Prosthodontists	3
Dr Gabriel Chong Tse Feng	Chairman, Chapter of Public Health Dentists	3

PROFESSIONAL OPINION

DATE	TOPIC	ORGANISATION
29 June	A Dental Publicity on PROPEL	Ministry of Health
8 October	Management Policy for Procedurists/ Surgeons with Chronic Hepatitis B Status (In Progress)	Academy of Medicine, Singapore
14 December	SDC Request on Evidence Based Treatment (In Progress)	Singapore Dental Council

FUTURE PLANS AND COMMITMENTS

The College aims to continue to conduct activities that meet the stated objectives in this annual report.