



Chapter of Plastic Surgeons College of Surgeons, Singapore Annual Report 2006

CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members continued to serve their office from 2006-2007:

Chairman:	Dr Yeow Kok Leng, Vincent
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lim Jiun, Ivor
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Ang Sze Wee, Erik
Board Members:	Dr Khoo Kian Ming, Andrew
	Dr Wu Tze-Liang, Woffles
	Dr Yeap Choong Lieng

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2006-2007 Chapter Board had met two times to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for year 2006.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2006 under the Chapter of Plastic Surgeons now stands at 29 Fellows comprises of 28 Local Fellows and 1 Overseas Fellows.

DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME

The Chapter Board has submitted the module on "Achieving a Zero Percent Re-operation Rate at 3 Years in a 50-Consecutive-Case Augmentation Mammoplasty Premarket Approval Study" to participate in the Distance Learning Programme administered by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Fellows who wish to access the Distance Learning Programme may do so by using their MCR number and password to login at the member secured login area at the Academy of Medicine website.

ACTION AGAINST DR ZUBIN MEDORA

The Chapter of Plastic Surgeons has lodged a Statutory Declaration to the SMC to complain about the professional conduct of Dr Zubin Medora. The gist of the complaint relates to Dr Medora mis-representing himself as a specialist cosmetic surgeon in professional communications, the Internet and the general public, when he is neither a qualified specialist nor did he undergo any recognised plastic and cosmetic surgery training. To date, the SMC has yet to revert officially about the status of the Statutory Declaration.

AESTHETIC MEDICINE / SURGERY WORKGROUP CALLED BY MOH

A workgroup to look into the practice and regulation of Aesthetic Medicine / Surgery was set up by the Ministry of Health this year. Dr Vincent Yeow, the Chapter Chairman is a member of this workgroup. The Chapter Board has walkthrough the survey form given by MOH pertaining to this subject and a compiled feedback represented from the Chapter of Plastic Surgeons was submitted to MOH.

CME PROGRAMMES

In the 1st Chapter Board Meeting on 27 July 2006, Dr Erik Ang was tasked to work with the Society of Plastic Surgeons, other Chapters if need be and the two teaching departments (Department of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery, SGH, and Division of Plastic Surgery, NUH) to establish an integrated CME programme for the Chapter Members.

ACTIVITY IN THE PIPELINE

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

The Chapter understands that MOH will be calling for a TOSP review exercise at the beginning of year 2007 and the Chapter Board shall be actively reviewing the codes and submit a propose table to MOH in adherence to the timeline set by MOH.

APPRECIATION

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

December 2006
Dr Erik Ang
Honorary Secretary
2006-2007 Chapter of Plastic Surgeons