

Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists 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 Siow Jin Keat
Vice-Chairman: Dr Leong Hoo Kwong
Honorary Secretary: Dr Huang Shoou Chyuan
Dr Chee Wang Cheng, Nelson
Dr Lim Haugh Yea Lynna

Dr Lim Hsueh Yee, Lynne

Dr Yeo Seng Beng

For the year ending December 2007, the 2007-2008 Chapter Board had met one time 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 Otorhinolaryngologists now stands at 46 Fellows comprises of 45 Local Fellows and 1 Overseas Fellow.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

Announcement of the monthly Otology Board Meeting jointly organized by the National University Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital were circulated via email to the Chapter Members.

BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The Chapter has introduced the first three Best Practice Guidelines for common ENT procedures namely Tonsillectomy/Adenoidectomy, Septoplasty and Inferior Turbinate Surgery on 12 May 2007 at its 1st Chapter Annual General Meeting and the Chapter Members present at the meeting received and adopted these guidelines.

ENT RESIDENTS' WORKS

With the launching of the eForum by the College of Surgeons, Singapore, each Chapter will have its own eForum space to allow Chapter Members to interact and share information & knowledge in the eForum. The Chapter has enlisted the assistance of Dr Toh Song Tar, an ENT Registrar, to contribute the ENT Residents' works for upload to the eForum to share with the Chapter Members. Currently, the Sleep Module and Head & Neck Module for 2007 were uploaded at the eForum. Chapter Members may access the eForum via the College of Surgeons website at www.css.edu.sg and click on "eForum Discussion" and login with your user ID and password.

ACTIVITIES IN THE PIPELINE

Best Practice Guidelines

The Chapter Board is progressively looking into developing the second set of best practice guidelines for the Otorhinolaryngology specialty. The guidelines will be presented to the Chapter Members for discussion, confirmation and acceptance at the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter to be held in 2008 before being published in the College of Surgeons website for reference.

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 and activities.

December 2007 Dr Huang Shoou Chyuan Honorary Secretary On behalf of 2007-2008 Board, Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists