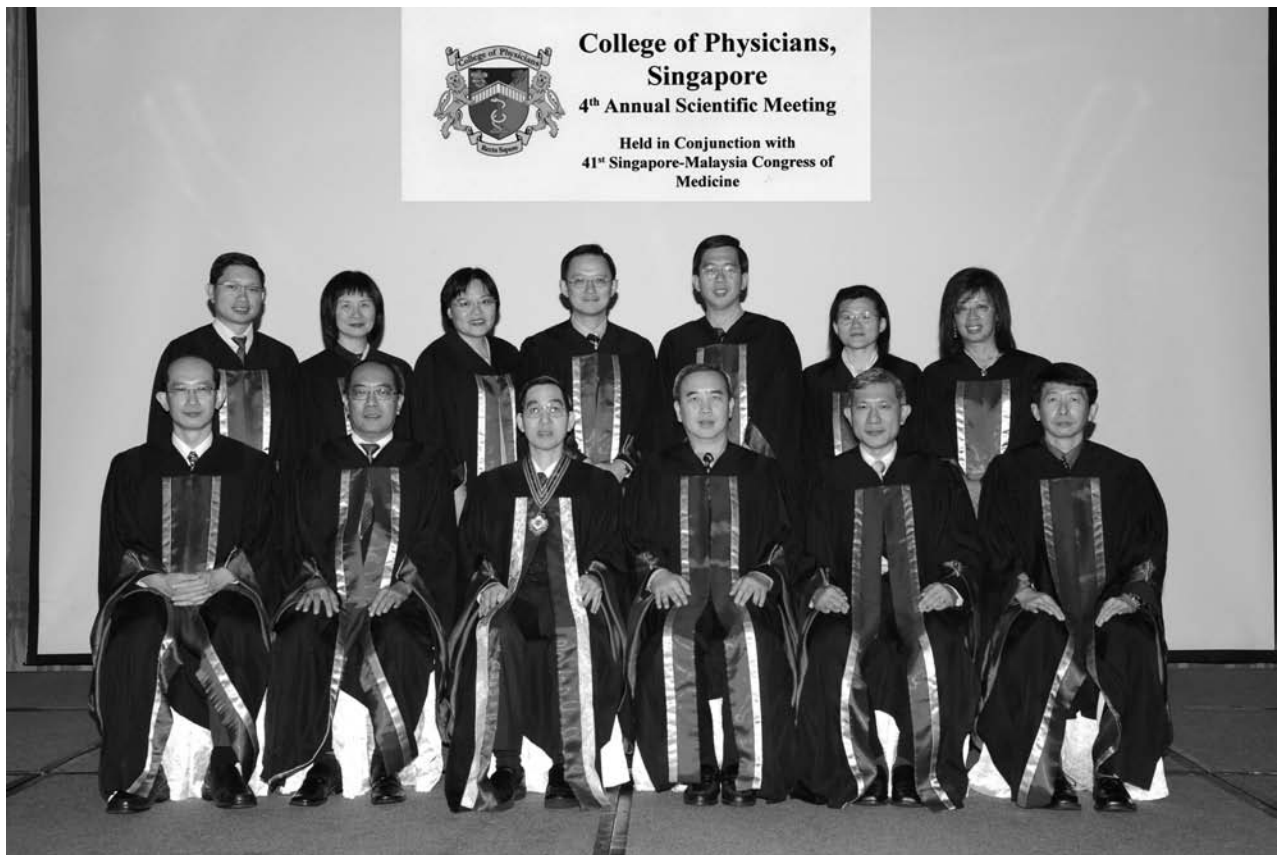


COLLEGE OF OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE
(INCORPORATED IN THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE)
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 200410334R



2007-2008 Council



Photograph taken during 4th ASM on 21 July 2007

1st row (Left to Right):

**Dr Wong Kok Seng, Dr Chan Kin Ming, Dr Ng Keng Yeen, Dr Lim Shih Hui,
Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Dr Alan Ng**

2nd row (Left to Right):

**Dr Tay Jam Chin, Dr Cynthia Goh, Dr Lee Lai Heng, Dr Kong Hwai Loong, Dr Lau Tang Ching,
Dr Leo Yee Sin, Dr Daphne Khoo**

Not in picture:

**Dr Terrance Chua, Dr Roland Chong, Dr Ho Kheng Thye, Dr Tay Yong Kwang, Dr Philip Choo,
Dr Christopher Chen, Dr Chan Kay Fei**

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the College of Physicians, Singapore was held on Saturday, 28 April 2007 at 2.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Level 3, National Heart Centre, Mistri Wing, 17 Third Hospital Ave, Singapore 168752.

2. THE COUNCIL

After the 3rd Annual General Meeting on 28 April 2007, an elected councilors’ meeting was held to elect the office-bearers (except for the President). The office-bearers for the 2007-2008 Council are:

President:	Dr Ng Keng Yeen
Vice-President:	Dr Chan Kin Ming
Immediate Past President:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Khoo Kei Siong
Honorary Treasurer:	Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong
Council Members:	Dr Terrance Chua
	Dr Roland Chong Siong Eng
	Dr Wong Kok Seng

3. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT 2007-2009

Dr Ng Keng Yeen who was elected as the President-Elect for 2006-2007, took office as President 2007-2009 at the 3rd Annual General Meeting on 28 April 2007.

4. CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS/ SECTION

The following elected Chairmen took office as the Chairpersons of their respective Chapters for 2007-2009:

Cardiologists	Dr Ho Kheng Thye
Dermatologists	Dr Tay Yong Kwang
Endocrinologists	Dr Daphne Khoo Hsu Chin
Gastroenterologists	Dr Roland Chong Siong Eng
General Physicians	Dr Tay Jam Chin
Geriatricians	Dr Philip Choo
Haematologists	Dr Lee Lai Heng
Infectious Diseases Physicians	Dr Leo Yee Sin
Medical Oncologists	Dr Kong Hwai Loong
Neurologists	Dr Christopher Chen Li Hsian
Rehabilitation Medicine	Dr Chan Kay Fei
Renal Physicians	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Respiratory Physicians	Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong
Rheumatologists	Dr Lau Tang Ching

Dr Cynthia Goh took office as the Chairperson of the Section of Palliative Care Medicine.

5. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the College had a total of 555 fellows.

The total membership of 555 comprises:

Local Fellows	521
Overseas Fellows	34

Local and Overseas Fellows are grouped under the Chapters as follows:

Cardiologists	92
Dermatologists	55
Endocrinologists	43
Gastroenterologists	56
General Physicians	53
Geriatricians	30
Haematologists	21
Infectious Diseases Physicians	12
Medical Oncologists	28
Neurologists	42
Rehabilitation Physicians	17
Renal Physicians	31
Respiratory Physicians	50
Rheumatologists	25

6. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every two months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2007-2008 Council had met seven times.

7. 4th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

The College held its 4th Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine organised by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore on 19 – 22 July 2007 at the Raffles City Convention Centre. This Congress also celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore with the Opening Ceremony graced by the Prime Minister, Mr. Lee Hsien Loong, as the Guest of Honour. As part of this celebration, the College held a symposium, “50 Years of Progress in Internal Medicine in Singapore”, with presentations from its constituent Chapters and Section.

The program included the 17th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture titled “Chronic Disease Management – Lessons Learnt from the Treatment of Diabetic Nephropathy” delivered by Professor Napier Thomson, President of The Royal Australasian College of Physicians, the 4th College of Physicians Lecture titled “Postgraduate Medical Training and Certification – Where Do We Go From Here?” delivered by Professor Neil Douglas, President of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh as well as the symposia “50 Years of Progress in Internal Medicine in Singapore” and “Advances & Innovations in Internal Medicine Specialties” which were held to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS).

The College also held its 2nd Conferment Ceremony during the Annual Scientific Meeting on 21 July 2007, during which six Presidents/ Master of overseas Colleges/ Academy received Fellowships of the CPS.

8. SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL MEDAL

The Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Medal was established from the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Fund. The Gold Medal is awarded annually to the top eligible candidate in the M. Med. (Internal Medicine) (Singapore) Examination. One award was made to Dr Koh Su-Mei, Angela in 2007.

9. HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

A brief history of the College of Physicians, Singapore titled "From the Chapter of Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore to the College of Physicians, Singapore" and authored by three of its Fellows – Dr Lim Shih Hui, Dr Ng Keng Yeen and Dr Chew Chin Hin – was published in a special commemorative issue of the Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore (Vol. 36, No. 7, July Issue) as part of the celebration to mark the 50th Anniversary (Golden Jubilee) of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

10. REVAMPED WEBSITE AND SUBSCRIPTION TO ONLINE JOURNAL

The following information can be accessed through the College website:

- i. The College's Byelaws
- ii. Descriptions of the 15 sub-specialties under each Chapter and Section
- iii. Directory of the Members of the 14 Chapters
- iv. CME activities
- v. Annual Scientific Meetings of the College
- vi. History of the College of Physicians, Singapore

The following online book / journals were subscribed to and can be accessed through the College website: (Fellows of the College have to login using their password to access)

- i. Harrison's Online
- ii. Seminars in Nephrology
- iii. Arthritis & Rheumatism, Arthritis Care & Research
- iv. Current Opinion in Rheumatology
- v. Rheumatology (Oxford)

11. CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The College provided feedback on and endorsed the following clinical practice guidelines:

- i. Clinical Practice Guidelines on Diagnosis and Management of Epilepsy in Adults
- ii. Clinical Practice Guidelines on Dementia
- iii. Clinical Practice Guidelines on Glomerulonephritis
- iv. Clinical Practice Guidelines on Osteoarthritis of the Knees
- v. Diagnosis and Management of Headache
- vi. Clinical Practice Guidelines on Parkinson's Disease

12. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Memorandum of Understanding on the continuation of the conjoint M.Med(Int Med)(Singapore)/MRCP(UK) PACES Examination was signed on 20 July 2007 between the Division of Graduate Medical Studies of the National University of Singapore, the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, College of Physicians, Singapore and the 3 Royal Colleges of Physicians of UK.

13. STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

A Staff Registrar Scheme (SRS) was implemented in 2007 by the Ministry of Health, Singapore and the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) to cater to the needs of our public sector healthcare institutions to employ doctors who are not qualified as specialists but who are able to provide a middle level of service equivalent to that provided by a Registrar/Fellow. The SRS will be targeted mainly for doctors with temporary/conditional registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). Such doctors may participate in an SRS training/supervised programme and be awarded a Diploma from AMS upon successful completion of the programme and passing an exit examination to be administered by the appropriate College/Chapter.

The diploma awarded will be recognized by the Singapore Medical Council for conditional registration and this will allow successful graduates to continue to be employed as Staff Registrar in public/restructured hospitals under the supervision of consultants. The scheme aims to enroll foreign doctors whose specialist degrees and medical schools are not recognized by the Specialists Accreditation Board (SAB) and Singapore Medical Council (SMC) respectively. The scheme serves as a good avenue for the public/restructured health care institutions to retain temporarily registered doctors. The course is also open to local doctors who do not wish to practice as general practitioners or specialists but prefer to work in the healthcare institutions. The scheme will not lead to a specialist registration and the training will ensure trainees a broad educational exposure so that they attain sufficient competencies to practice in the community and to participate as team members in the various specialties.

To date, the College has submitted SRS programmes leading to the following three diplomas:

- i. Diploma in Infectious Diseases
- ii. Diploma in Cardiology
- iii. Diploma in Geriatric Medicine (Intermediate & Long Term Care)

14. ANNUAL MEETINGS OF OVERSEAS COLLEGES

Dr Ng Keng Yeen was invited to and attended the 2007 Congress of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) held in Melbourne, Australia from 5-10 May 2007. Dr Ng was conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the RACP.

Dr Ng Keng Yeen was also invited to and attended the Hong Kong College of Physician's Annual Scientific Meeting in Hong Kong on 13 October 2007.

15. FINANCE OF THE COLLEGE

The College's Institution of a Public Character (IPC) status was renewed in Aug 2007, for another eight months. With the renewal of the IPC status, the College could continue to raise funds to enhance its effort in CPD.

The main income of the College is from the annual subscription of College Fellows to the Academy of Medicine. The other sources of income were from the College's portion of profits from the Annual Scientific Meeting and other CME courses.

A sum of \$14,000.00 would be set aside for the subscription of the online journals by the 14 Chapters.

16. COMPANY SECRETARY & AUDITORS OF THE COLLEGE

Rodyk & Davidson LLP was engaged as the Company Secretary to provide corporate secretarial services to the College.

Messrs Geetha A & Associates was re-appointed as the auditors for the accounts of the College.

17. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Since the official formation of the College in August 2004, much work had been put in to achieve the goals of the College. Membership of the College has increased, and its various Chapters and 1 Section have become more active in the provision of CME activities for its Fellows in the form of lectures, symposia, congresses and online journals. A fair number of the Fellows of the College continue to contribute to undergraduate and post graduate medical education as either teachers, examiners or as members of Specialist Training Committees (STCs), as well as providing inputs for improving training standards and certification for doctors. Fellows of the College have also made significant contributions to the formulation of Clinical Practice Guidelines and of professional opinion pieces.

Much work has also been put in place to enhance governance issues in the College administration in order to fulfill tighter regulations imposed on IPCs (Institution of Public Character).

The College will continue to strive to accomplish its goals of setting high standards for clinical practice, strengthen education and training programme for physicians, support its Fellows in their practice of medicine, and provide opinions on important healthcare issues.

18. APPRECIATION

The College wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows for their support and efforts rendered in the past year and to the College's Executives for their secretariat support.

December 2007
Dr Khoo Kei Siong
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Council College of Physicians, Singapore

CHAPTER OF CARDIOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Cardiologists was held on Wednesday, 11 April 2007 at 6.00pm at CSO 5A Meeting Room, TTSH Medical Centre, Level 5, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2005-2007 were:

Chairman:	Dr Ho Kheng Thye
Vice-Chairman:	Dr K Gunasegaran
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Chuang Hsuan-Hung
Board Members:	Dr Lim Tien Wei, Jimmy Gordon Dr Wong Sung Lung, Aaron Dr Ng Ang Lee, Richard

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 92 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter organised the following:

01 December 2007**Heart Failure Summit @Singapore 2007**

Organising Chairperson: Dr Chuang Hsuan-Hung
Course Director: Dr Ho Kheng Thye

- **Epidemiology of Systolic and Diastolic Heart Failure**

Dr Bernard Kwok
Bernard Kwok Cardiology Clinic

- **Biomarkers in Heart Failure: From Diagnosis to Prognosis**

Dr Richard Troughton
Department of Medicine, Christchurch School of
Medicine and Health Sciences

- **Chronic Heart Failure: Current Management & What is in the Horizon**

Prof Henry Krum
Head Clinical Pharmacology Unit, Monash University,
Consultant Physician, Alfred Hospital, Director,
NHMRC Centre of Clinical Research Excellence in
Therapeutics

- **Management Strategies in Acute Heart Failure**

Dr Peter Liu
Scientific Director, Institute of Circulatory and
Respiratory Health (ICRH), Heart & Stroke/Polo Chair
Professor of Medicine and Physiology at the Toronto
General Hospital Research Institute, University Health
Network

- **Device Therapy in Heart Failure: A Local Perspective**

Dr Teo Wee Siong
The Heart Specialist Clinic

- **Heart Failure Disease Management in Singapore**

Dr Kenneth Ng

- **Caring for the End Stage – Heart Failure Patients**

Dr Angel Lee
Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Ask the Experts: Management of Dilemmas & Multidisciplinary approach**

All Speakers

- **5. FEEDBACK ON ENHANCED EXTERNAL COUNTERPULSATION (EECP) THERAPY AND TOSP CODES COMPILATION & REPORT**

The Chapter presented its views to the Ministry of Health (MOH) on the AED program.

6. STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME

The conjunction with Academy of Medicine, the Chapter of Cardiologists proposes the Diploma in Cardiology.

December 2007

Dr Chuang Hsuan-Hung
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Cardiologists

CHAPTER OF DERMATOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Dermatologists was held on Thursday, 15 March 2007 at 6.00pm at Lecture Room, Level 2, National Skin Centre, 1 Mandalay Road, Singapore 308205.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Tay Yong Kwang
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Chan Yui Chew
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Ang Por
Board Members:	A/Prof Roy Chan
	Dr Tham Siew Nee
	Dr Tan Suat Hoon
	Dr Thirumoorthy
	Thamotharampillai
	Prof Goh Chee Leok

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the membership stands at 55.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met thrice to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2007.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The following activities have been organised by the chapter

25 January 2007**Cutaneous Manifestations of Rheumatic Diseases**

A/Prof Jan Peter Dutz

Department of Medicine & Dermatology, University of British Columbia & BC Research Institute for Children's and Women's Health, Vancouver, Canada

4 April 2007**Current Combination Approaches to Psoriasis Therapy: Opportunities and Pitfalls**

Prof Harvey Lui

Head, Department of Dermatology and Skin Science, University of British Columbia

12 May 2007**Double Peel with Salicylic Acid Procedure, Pre and Post Peel Skin Care**

Dr Klaus Fritz

Vice President, European Society of Laser Dermatology & President of Russian Society of Phototherapy, Laser and Innovative Technology

5 July 2007**Psoriasis: Biological Treatments**

Professor Jean-Paul Ortonne

Chairman, Department of Dermatology, University of Nice, France

26 July 2007**Anti-TNF in Dermatologic and Rheumatic Disease – What is Known and What is New**

Professor Fan Peng Thim

Clinical Professor of Medicine, Rheumatology Division of Rheumatology, UCLA School of Medicine

16 August 2007**Dermatomyositis: A Comparison between Singapore and US Populations in Epidemiology, Pathophysiology, Management and Outcomes**

Prof Gil Yosipovitch

Professor of Dermatology, Wake Forest University, Winston Salem

20 September 2007**Update in Dermatology****• Psoriasis: What's New**

Dr Colin Theng

Consultant Dermatologist, National Skin Centre

• Photobiology: What's New

Dr Colin Kwok

Senior Consultant Dermatologist, Changi General Hospital

1 November 2007**Update in Dermatology****• Immunobullous Diseases: What's New**

Dr Patricia Ng

Consultant Dermatologist, Dermatology Associates

• Collagen Vascular Diseases and Arthritis: What's New

A/Prof Julian Thumboo

Head & Senior Consultant, Department of Rheumatology and Immunology, Singapore General Hospital

19 December 2007**What are Systematic Reviews and are they needed in Dermatology?**

Prof Hywel Williams

Director of the University of Nottingham Clinical Trials Support Unit, Chair of the East Midlands Research for Patient Benefit Programme, Co-ordinating Editor of the Cochrane Skin Group, Clinical Lead for the National Skin Disorders Electronic Library for Health, Chair of the UK Dermatology Clinical Trials Network.

6. 3rd CHAPTER OF DERMATOLOGISTS LECTURE

The 3rd Chapter of Dermatologists Lecture entitled "A Novel Method of Drug Delivery Using Pemphigus Monoclonal Antibodies" delivered by Professor John R. Stanley, Milton B. Hartzell Professor and Chairman, Department of Dermatology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

December 2007

Dr Ang Por

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Dermatologists

CHAPTER OF ENDOCRINOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Endocrinologists was held on Friday, 16 March 2007 at 5.30pm at Board Room, Alexandra Hospital, 378 Alexandra Road, Singapore 159964.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Khoo Hsu Chin, Daphne
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Michelle Jong
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Yeoh Swee Inn
Board Members:	Dr Lee Chung Horn
	Dr Tey Beng Hea
	Dr Lim Hock Seng

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 43 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The following activity has been organised by the chapter

16 November 2007**Pathophysiology and Management of Post-transplant Osteoporosis & the Clinical Utility of Biochemical Markers of Bone Turnover**

Prof Peter Ebeling

Chair, Dept of Medicine, The University of Melbourne, Western Hospital, Head, Dept of Endocrinology, Western Health, Deputy Chair, Dept of Medicine and Medical Honorary Associate, Dept of Diabetes and Endocrinology, Royal Melbourne Hospital

December 2007

Dr Yeoh Swee Inn

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Endocrinologists

CHAPTER OF GASTROENTEROLOGISTS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists was held on Monday, 12 March 2007 at 6.00pm at Conference Room 1, Level 1, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following office-bearers were elected to the 2007-2009 Board:

Chairman:	Dr Chong Siong Eng, Roland
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Ooi Choon Jin
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lui Hock Foong
Board Members:	Dr Khor Jen Lock, Christopher
	Dr Teo Eng Kiong
	Prof Ng Han Seong
	Prof Fock Kwong Ming
	Dr Steven Joseph Mesenas

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the membership stands at 56.

4. DEFINITION OF GASTROENTEROLOGISTS

Gastroenterologists are specialist physicians with dedicated training in the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the digestive system which includes the oesophagous, the stomach, the small and large intestine (colon), liver, pancreas and the gall bladder and biliary system.

Gastroenterologists manage and treat symptoms and disorders arising from the digestive tract, e.g. abdominal discomfort/pain, diarrhea, constipation, bleeding from the digestive tract, jaundice, hepatitis as well as cancers of the digestive System, liver and hepatobiliary tract.

Endoscopy is done by gastroenterologists both to help diagnose and treat disorders of the gastrointestinal tract and biliary systems (diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy). These procedures include gastroscopy/ colonoscopy/ Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography/ Endoscopic ultrasound/ small Intestinal enteroscopy and capsule endoscopy.

Gastroenterologists play a major role in the assessment and treatment of all kinds of liver disease. They actively participate in the management of liver transplant patients.

Gastroenterologists look into the nutritional needs of ill patients and specialize in administering enteral and parenteral nutrition.

Gastroenterology is a subspeciality of Internal Medicine.

5. PROFESSIONAL OPINIONS

5.1 The Chapter furnished professional opinions on the following topics upon request by the Ministry of Health, Singapore:

- i. Colon Cleansing

5.2 The Chapter furnished professional opinions to 7 coroners' cases in 2007.

6. FEEDBACK ON THE NEW SURGICAL TABLE

The Chapter presented its views and suggestions to the Ministry of Health (MOH) on the new surgical table.

7. CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

7.1 The Chapter presented its feedback on the following guidelines to develop jointly with Ministry of Health (MOH):

- i. GE Reflux
- ii. H Pylori
- iii. HBV Management

The updating-committee was set up and Dr Chow Wan Cheng will be chairing the committee.

7.2 The Chapter had started on the Endoultrasound and ERCP

8. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

8.1 The Chapter received S\$6,300.00 of donations to organize CME activities.

8.2 The following activities have been organised by the chapter:

21 July 2007

AsiaHep GP Seminar 2007

- i. How to Deal with Yellow Eyes and Dark Colored Urine in the Clinic
Prof Ng Han Seong
Senior Consultant, Gastroenterologist, Singapore General Hospital
- ii. Do all Patients with Chronic Hepatitis B Need Treatment? What are the Available Treatment?
Dr Tan Chee Kiat
Senior Consultant, Gastroenterologist, Singapore General Hospital

8.3 The following activities have been co-organised by the chapter with The Gastroenterological Society of Singapore:

12 February 2007

Difficult & Interesting Cases In ERCP

A/Prof Glen Lehman, M.D.

Professor of Medicine & Radiology, Indiana University Medical Center

02 Mar 2007 to 04 Mar 2007

GIHep Singapore 2008

The theme for this conference is "The Patient in Focus", focusing on the treatment and management of patients. The 2 days conference consists of the 5th National Endoscopy Workshop and 22nd Annual Scientific Meeting with endoscopic demonstrations, lectures and symposia by international and Singapore experts.

9. FUTURE ACTIVITIES

9.1 18th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture

The 18th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture is scheduled to be on 05 & 06 July 2008 in conjunction with the 5th Annual Scientific Meeting. Prof Liaw Yun Fan, Professor of Medicine, Chang Gung Memorial Hospital (Taipei, Taiwan) had accepted to deliver the lecture which will be on a gastroenterology subject.

9.2 Ministry of Health-Mayo Clinic Update

The Chapter will participate in the Ministry of Health – Mayo Clinic Update in 2008 with updates on Gastroenterology.

December 2007

Dr Lui Hock Foong

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Gastroenterologists

CHAPTER OF GENERAL PHYSICIANS

3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting (Adjourned) of the Chapter of General Physicians was held on Saturday, 14 April 2007 at 6.00pm at Meeting Room, Level 4, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Tay Jam Chin
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Oh Min-Sen, Vernon
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Thomas Colleen Kim
Board Members:	Dr Ronan Philip Kelly
	Dr Tan Hooi Hwa
	Dr Goh-Fung, Cynthia Ruth
	Dr Pankaj Kumar Handa

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 53 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

4.1 The Chapter of General Physicians organised the following activities:

23 August 2007

Management of Chronic Hepatitis B in the Era of Potent Anti-Virals

Prof Jun Cheng, Professor of Medicine and Microbiology, Vice President of Beijing Ditan Hospital & Chinese Society of Infectious Diseases, China

4.2 The Chapter of General Physicians supports the following Monthly Revisions organised by Tan Tock Seng Hospital:

25 July 2007

Approach to SLE

Dr Howe Hwee Siew

Senior Consultant, Department of Rheumatology, Allergy and Immunology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

22 August 2007

Approach to Glomerulonephritis

Dr Liew Seng Teck, Adrian

Associate Consultant, Department of Renal Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

26 September 2007

Management of Obesity

Dr Michelle Jong
Consultant, Department of Endocrinology, Tan
Tock Seng Hospital

24 October 2007

Pain Management in the Elderly

Dr Ian Leong, Consultant, Department of
Geriatric Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

28 November 2007

**Obstructive Sleep Apnoea – Evaluation and
Update on Management**

Dr Yap Wee See
Senior Consultant, Department of Respiratory
Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

December 2007

Dr Thomas Colleen Kim
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of General Physicians

CHAPTER OF GERIATRICIANS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Geriatricians was held on Tuesday, 13 March 2007 at 6.00pm at CSO 4A Meeting Room, Level 4, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	A/Prof Choo Wee Jin, Philip
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tan Thai Lian
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Seow Chuen Chai, Dennis
Board Members:	Dr Lieu Ping Kong
	Dr Reshma Aziz Merchant
	Dr Low Yiew Hock, James Alvin
	Dr Tan Yean Eng, Carol

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 30 fellows.

4. STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME

In conjunction with Academy of Medicine, The Chapter of Geriatricians proposes the Diploma of Geriatric Medicine (Hospital and ILTC). The diploma is scheduled to commence in 2008.

December 2007

Dr Seow Chuen Chai, Dennis
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Geriatricians

CHAPTER OF HAEMATOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Haematologists was held on Tuesday, 10 April 2007 at 6.00pm at the Conference Room 65-01, Blk 6, Level 5, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Lee Lai Heng
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tien Sim Leng
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Loh Su Ming, Yvonne
Board Members:	Dr Ting Weng Chang
	Dr Lim Lay Cheng
	Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 21 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter organised the following CME activities:

8 January 2007**Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation from Alternative Donors**

Nelson Chao, MD, MBA
Professor of Medicine and Immunology, Director,
StemCell Transplantation
Duke University Medical Center, USA

09 February 2007**Haematopathology Slide Seminar**

Dr Tein Sim Leng
Senior Consultant, Department of Hematology, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Ho Liam Pock, Consultant, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Liu Te Chih, Senior Consultant, Head, Department of Hematology, National University Hospital
Dr Michelle L M Poon, Registrar, Department of Hematology/Oncology, National University Hospital
Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan, Senior Consultant, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Dr Chiam Yaw Yung, Registrar, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

23 October 2007

- **Acute Thrombosis with Renal Impairment, Anemia, Thrombocytopenia, Immunosuppression and More - A Case Study**

Dr Ng Chin Hin

Registrar, Department of Hematology/Oncology, National University Hospital, Therapeutic Dilemmas in Anticoagulation

- **An Evidence-Based Approach in the Renally Impaired, Elderly and Other Special Populations**

Dr Mark Crowther

Professor & Chair, Division of Hematology, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

5. PROFESSIONAL OPINIONS

The Chapter furnished professional Expert Opinion on the following areas upon request by the Ministry of Health, Singapore:

i. Cell Therapy

The Ministry of Health requested the College of Physicians to provide an opinion on the role of cellular therapy in the treatment of various diseases, with special emphasis on differentiating therapies that are established and those whose use is still experimental or in clinical trials. The committee comprised members from several chapters in the College whose work or experience involved cellular therapy. The committee included two members of the Chapter of Haematology: Dr William Hwang (Senior Consultant, Department of Haematology, SGH) who chaired the committee, and Dr Yvonne Loh (Consultant, Department of Haematology, SGH).

6. 5TH CONGRESS OF ASIAN-PACIFIC SOCIETY ON THROMBOSIS AND HAEMOSTASIS (5th APSTH)

The Congress aims to present updates on progress in the fields of Thrombosis and Haemostasis. It will give all participants the chance to share their experience and knowledge, and provide an opportunity for collaboration amongst physicians and scientists from the region working in these fields. The Congress is scheduled for the 18 to 20 September 2008. In conjunction with the Singapore Society of Haematology, the Chapter of Haematologists is the main sponsor and co-organizer of the 5th APSTH in Singapore.

December 2007

Dr Loh Su Ming, Yvonne

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Haematologists

CHAPTER OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE PHYSICIANS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians was held on Tuesday, 27 March 2007 at 5.30pm at Conference Room, Blk 804, CDC Administrative Office, Moulmein Road, Communicable Disease Centre.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	A/Prof Leo Yee Sin
Vice-Chairman:	A/Prof Paul Tambyah
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Asok Kurup
Board Members:	Dr Brenda Ang
	Dr Oh May Lin, Helen
	Dr Lee Cheng Chuan
	Dr Lim Poh Lian
	Dr Wong Sin Yew

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007 the Chapter had a total of 12 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

4.1 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor for the following activities:

07-09 March 2007

6th International Symposium on Antimicrobial Agents and Resistance (ISAAR)

**• Pneumococcal Resistance & Clinical Implications
International Network for Surveillance and Strategies**

Jae-Hoon Song
Samsung
Medical Center, Korea

• Mechanisms of Pneumococcal Resistance and Their Clinical Implications

Donald Low
Mount Sinai Hospital, Canada

**• Treating CAP in the Era of Resistance
Pneumococcal Vaccination**

Keith Klugman
Emory University, USA

• Resistance Mechanisms of VRE

Robin Patel
Mayo Clinic, USA

• Therapy of VRE Infections

Robert Moellering

• Controlling VRE

Brenda Ang
Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore

• CA-MRSA

Li Yang Hsu
National University Hospital, Singapore

• VISA/hVISA and VRSA, Mechanism and Clinical Significance

Keiichi Hiramatsu
Juntendo University, Japan

• Treating Staphylococcal Infections in the Era of Resistance

Visanu Thamlikitkul
Mahidol University,
Thailand

• History of Antimicrobial Therapy for the Past 60 years - Lessons for the Future

Walter R. Wilson
Mayo Clinic, USA

• Discovery of Novel Antimicrobial Agents

Robert Moellering
Massachusetts General Hospital, USA

• Updates & Controversial Issues in Susceptibility Testing from the CLSI Perspective

Mary Jane Ferraro
Massachusetts General Hospital, USA

• Detecting of Resistant Bacteria Fast - What's New? Detecting Antifungal Resistance

Frank Cockerill
Mayo Clinic, USA

• Microbial typing - A Weapon Against Resistance?

Robin Patel
Mayo Clinic, USA

• HIV/AIDS in India and SE Asia

Div. Infectious Diseases Christian Medical College, India

- **Treating HIV/AIDS in the Era of Resistance**
Adeeba Kamarulzaman
University of Malaya, Malaysia
- **Approach to the Treatment of Heavily Antiretroviral Therapy – Experienced HIV-Infected Patients Update on the HIV/AIDS Pandemic**
Zalalem Temesgen
Mayo Clinic, USA
- **Antimicrobial Stewardship Behavioral Change Methodologies for implementing Infection Control Policies**
Wing Hong Seto
Hong Kong
- **New Beta-Lactam Agents The Increasing Complexity of ESBLs**
Karen Bush
Johnson & Johnson, USA
- **New Fluoroquinolones Are all Quinolones Equal with Regard to Resistance?**
David Hooper
Massachusetts General Hospital, USA
- **Anti-Parasitic Agents – What’s New? Malaria**
Nicholas White
Mahidol Oxford tropical Medicine Research Unit, Thailand
- **Molecular Diagnosis of Fungal Infections**
David Denning
Wythenshawe Hospital, UK
- **The Resistant Fever in Febrile Neutropenia – Fungus?**
Ban Hock Tan
Singapore General Hospital, Singapore
- **Role of Antibiotic Guidelines in the Control of Resistance**
Victor Lim
International Medical University, Malaysia
- **Managing Antibiotic Prescribing - The Nuts and Bolts Surveillance as the Key to Infection Control**
Keryn Christiansen
Royal Perth Hospital, Australia
- **Antibiotic Restrictions – Are They Ethical?**
Alastair Campbell
National University of Singapore, Singapore
- **Roles of a National Antibiotic Reference Laboratory Carbapenem Resistance**
David Livermore
Health Protection Agency Centre for Infections, UK
- **Applying PK/PD - Will it Help Against Resistance? The VRE Story - Overview**
John Turnidge
Women’s and Children’s Hospital, Australia
- **Vancomycin Dosing - Can We Do Better?**
Robert Moellering
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, USA
- **Impact of Resistance on Clinical Practice in Pediatrics**
Nancy Henry
Mayo Clinic, USA
- **The Ear, nose and throat: Resistance hideouts**
Ron Dagan
Saroka University Medical Center, Israel
- **Detecting Resistant TB fast - What’s New?**
Li Hwei Sng
Singapore General Hospital, Singapore
- **TB Drug Discovery**
Thomas Dick
Novartis Institute for Tropical Diseases, Singapore
- **Treatment of MDR/XDR TB: Where We Stand?**
Jae-Joon Yim
Seoul National University, Korea
- **Epidemiology and Origins of Antimicrobial Resistance in Animals**
Yong-Ho Park
Seoul National University, Korea
- **Regulation of Antibiotics in the Food Supply**
Sin Bin Chua
Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority of Singapore, Singapore
- **Fluoroquinolone Resistance**
Hui Wang
Peking Union Medical College Hospital, P.R. of China

- **Clinical Study Design in Evaluating Antibacterial Agents**
Michael Jacobs
Case Western Reserve University, USA
 - **Non-typhoid Salmonella: Changing epidemiology and resistance**
Cheng-Hsun Chiu
Chang Gung Children's
Hospital, Chinese Taipei)
 - **Dengue control: Have we made advances?**
Eng Eong Ooi
Defence Science Organisation, Singapore
 - **Multi-Resistant or Pan-Resistant Acinetobacters**
Tse Hsien Koh Singapore
General Hospital, Singapore
 - **Multi-Resistant P.aeruginosa**
Po-Ren Hsueh
National Taiwan
University Hospital, Chinese Taipei
 - **Multi-Resistant Stenotrophomonas maltophilia as a Nosocomial pathogen**
Kyungwon Lee
Yonsei University, Korea
 - **Novel Technologies in the Prevention of Infection**
Paul Tambyah
National University Hospital, Singapore
- 4.2 The following activities were organised by the chapter and were well attended:
- 22 July 2007**
41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine Infectious Disease Screening in Pregnancy: HIV and Beyond HIV in Pregnancy
- **The Singapore Experience Post Opt Out**
Dr Chee Jing Jye
Consultant, Perinatal Audit & Epidemiology Unit.
KK Hospital
 - **Update of HIV in Pregnancy**
A/Prof Leo Yee Sin
Department of Infectious Diseases, CDC,
Tan Tock Seng Hospital
 - **Antenatal Infection Screening**
A/Prof Arijit Biswas
Senior Consultant, Department of Obstetrics &
Gynaecology, National University Hospital
A/Prof Paul Anantharajah Tambyah
Senior Consultant, Department of Medicine,
National University Hospital
- **Infectious Diseases Symposium**
Emerging Infections Diseases: Problems and Solutions
Dr Ooi Eng Eong
Program Director, Biological Defence at the
Defence Medical and Environmental Research
Institute, Dept. of Microbiology, Defence Science
Organisation, Singapore
 - **Chikungunya- The Malaysian Experience**
Dr Jamal I-Ching Sam
Department of Medical Microbiology, Faculty of
Medicine, University Malaya
 - **Emerging Nosocomial Infections**
Prof Trish Perl
Professor of Medicine, Pathology and Epidemiology,
Hospital Epidemiologist Johns Hopkins Medical
Institutions and University
- 23 August 2007**
Restrictions on Prescription of Antiviral Medication for Treatment of Hepatitis B
Prof Jun Cheng,
Professor of Medicine and Microbiology, Vice
President of Beijing Ditan Hospital, Vice President of
Chinese Society of Infectious Diseases, China
- 5. STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME**
- In conjunction with Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Communicable Disease Center (CDC), and Academy of Medicine, The Chapter of Infectious Diseases proposes the Diploma in Infectious Diseases. The diploma aims to provide training to doctors to attain clinical knowledge in infectious diseases and HIV medicine and to demonstrate clinical competency in the care of patients. 2 medical officers from CDC were enrolled into this scheme starting 1st June 2007.
- 6. INFECTIOUS DISEASE ACT**
- A/Prof Leo Yee Sin and Dr Asok Kurup represented the Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians at the Ministry of Health Open Forum to discuss proposed amendments to the Infectious Disease Act.
- 7. PUBLICATION**
- The chapter spearheaded a committee of infectious diseases physicians representing SGH, KKWCH, NUH, TTSH, and Changi GH in writing a consensus document on matters relating to HIV screening among health care workers. The manuscript has been submitted to the Annals for publication.
- December 2007
Dr Asok Kurup
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians

CHAPTER OF MEDICAL ONCOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Medical Oncologists was held on Thursday, 12 April 2007 at 6.00pm at Board Room, Level 4, National Cancer Centre, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169610

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Kong Hwai Loong
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lim Soon Thye
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Wong Nan Soon
Board Members:	Dr Poon Yew Hee
	Dr Wong Zee Wan
	Dr Toh Han Chong

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 28 fellows.

4. 1ST SINGAPORE MEDICAL ONCOLOGY REVIEW COURSE

The Singapore Medical Oncology Review Course was organised jointly by the Chapter of Medical Oncologists and the Singapore Society of Oncology on 26-27 January 2007. The co-chairmen were Dr Toh Han Chong and Dr Lim Soon Thye. The main objective of the course is to provide a critical review of the latest developments and guidelines in medical oncology to both practicing oncologists and oncology trainees. The invited faculty included renowned local and overseas speakers.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The following activities have been organised by the chapter:

22 January 2007**Insights from UK Colorectal Clinical Trials**

Philip Quirke BM, PhD, FRCPath

Yorkshire Cancer Research Centenary Professor of Pathology, Head of Pathology and Tumor Biology, School of Medicine, University of Leeds

31 October 2007**Oncology Teaching Forum**

- **Case 1: Gastrointestinal Malignancy Case**
Dr Simon Ong
Consultant, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre
- **Case 2: Aggressive Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma**
Dr Benjamin Mow
Consultant, Division of Medical Oncology, The Cancer Institute @ NUH
- **Case 3: Stage III NSCLC**
Dr Leong Swan Swan
Consultant, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre
- **Case 4: Young Female with Breast Cancer**
Dr Lee Soo Chin
Consultant, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre

6. FUTURE ACTIVITIES

The Chapter of Medical Oncologist will cooperate with Singapore Radiological Society (SRS), Singapore Society of Oncology (SSO) and College of Radiologists, Singapore to co-organise a review course on 25-27 January 2008. The course is titled "Integrating Imaging with Combined Modality Treatment", and is a timely update and review of the latest advances in these fields, in addition to medical oncology. The course aims to bring together radiologists and oncologists from all parts of Asia to promote further interaction and collaboration. It also provides an opportunity for specialists and trainees from different countries to exchange ideas and share experiences.

7. FUTURE MISSION

The Chapter of Medical Oncologist aims to serving its Fellows by being the network for physicians, be the channel whereby information will be disseminated and recommend professional opinions.

December 2007

Dr Wong Nan Soon

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Medical Oncologists

CHAPTER OF NEUROLOGISTS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Neurologists was held on Wednesday, 21 March 2007 at 5.30pm at Lecture Theatre, Blk 6, Level 9, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Chen Li-Hsian, Christopher
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tan Keng Yew, Adrian
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Pan Beng Siong, Andrew
Board Members:	Dr Tan Chew Seng, Louis A/Prof Einar Wilder-Smith
Co-opted Members:	A/Prof Lim Shih Hui Dr Narayanaswamy Venketasubramanian

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 42 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

4.1 The Chapter organised the following activities:

22 June 2007

Levodopa-Induced Motor Complications and the Current Role of Dopamine Agonists in the Treatment of Parkinson's Disease

Prof Eduardo Tolosa
Chief, Neurology Service,
Hospital Clinico Universitario

28 July 2007

Update on Treatment of Headaches

- **Treatment of Migraine**

Dr Ho King Hee
Consultant, Gleneagles Medical Centre

- **Treatment of Tension Type Headaches**

Dr Chan Yee Cheun
Consultant, Department of Medicine,
National University Hospital

- **Less Familiar Primary Headaches
Chronic Daily Headaches**

Dr Charles Siow
Consultant, Mount Alvernia Hospital

- **Important Secondary Headaches**

Dr Lee Sze Haur
Senior Consultant, National Neuroscience Institute
@ Tan Tock Seng campus

18 August 2007

Importance of 24-Hr BP Monitoring in Stroke Patients – A Singapore Perspective

A/Prof Wong Meng Cheong
Senior Consultant Neurologist, National Neuroscience
Institute (SGH Campus)
Senior Clinician Scientist Investigator,
National Medical Research Council

21 October 2007

3rd Chapter of Neurologists Lecture Recent Advances in Genetics of Parkinson's Disease

Professor Yoshikuni Mizuno
Director, Research Institute for Pathophysiology and
Treatment of Diseases of Old Ages ,
Juntendo University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

4.2 The Chapter co-organised the following activities:

16 September 2007

Updates in Stroke Management

12 May 2007

Launch of Guidelines on Dementia

20-22 October 2007

1st Asian and Oceanian Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Congress (AOPMC)

5. NATIONAL STROKE STRATEGY

The Chapter reviewed the national stroke strategy and nominated a representative of the chapter to the Ministry of Health Advisory Committee of National Stroke Strategy.

6. PRACTICAL GUIDELINES

The Chapter of Neurologists assisted the College of Physicians in providing feedback on and endorsing the following clinical practice guidelines:

- Clinical Practice Guidelines on Diagnosis and Management of Epilepsy in Adults
- Clinical Practice Guidelines on Dementia
- Clinical Practice Guidelines on Diagnosis and Management of Headache
- Clinical Practice Guidelines on Parkinson's Disease

December 2007

Dr Pan Beng Siong, Andrew
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Neurologists

CHAPTER OF REHABILITATION PHYSICIANS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians was held on Saturday, 3 March 2007 at 1.00pm at Conference Room, Level 3, Ang Mo Kio Hospital, 17 Ang Mo Kio Hospital Singapore 569766.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Chan Kay Fei
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Young Hsueh Yi, Sherry
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Ng Yee Sien
Board Members:	Dr Tow Peh-Er, Adela
	Dr Yen Hwee Ling

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the membership stands at 17.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter organised the following activities:

10 September 2007

Examination of the Cervical Spine

A/Prof Norm Broadhurst
Senior Lecturer, Department of Orthopedics, Flinders
University of South Australia

December 2007

Dr Ng Yee Sien

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians

CHAPTER OF RENAL PHYSICIANS

1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Renal Physicians was held on Tuesday, 20 March 2007 at 5.30pm at Conference Room 4, Level 3, Bowyers Block B, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Vice-Chairman:	A/Prof Lee Jon Choon, Evan
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lee Siew Luan, Grace
Board Members:	A/Prof Anantharaman Vathsala
	A/Prof Choong Hui Lin
	Dr Ku Kwok Tai, Gordon
	Dr Mooppil Nandakumar
	Dr Tan Seng Hoe

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the Chapter had a total of 31 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter co-organised the following activities

26 May 2007

Chapter of Renal Physicians Lecture

This annual lectureship award was initiated to allow distinguished members of the professional community to be nominated to deliver a lecture in the field of nephrology. The inaugural lectureship was awarded to A/Prof Lina Choong Hui Lin, Senior Consultant, Department of Renal Medicine, Singapore General Hospital. Her lecture was entitled **“Developing Hemodialysis in Singapore: Optimizing Therapy and the Challenge for the Future”**.

18 August 2007

2nd Scientific Meeting of Advanced Specialty Trainees in Nephrology

This meeting was co-organised with the Singapore Society of Nephrology. Eight free papers were presented by the nephrology trainees and the Best Paper Award went to Dr Yeo Wee-Song, Shaw-NKF Children’s Kidney Center, The Children’s Medical Institute, National University Hospital for his paper entitled **“Characterization of DEC1 Gene in CD4+ T Cells of Children with Relapse of Minimal Change Nephrotic Syndrome”**.

18 August 2007**RenalWorks**

A compilation of all the scientific abstracts and a list of publications by the local nephrology community (Singapore Society of Nephrology and Chapter of Renal Physicians) in the years 2005 and 2006 was published. The publication, named RenalWorks, was launched on 18 Aug 2007 and will be published biannually.

5. FEEDBACK ON SITING OF PERITONEAL DIALYSIS SERVICES

The Chapter presented its views and suggestions to the Ministry of Health on the policy of peritoneal dialysis (PD) services.

December 2007

Dr Lee Siew Luan, Grace

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Renal Physicians

CHAPTER OF RESPIRATORY PHYSICIANS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Respiratory Physicians was held on Friday, 30 March 2007 at 5.30pm at CSO 5B, Medical Centre, Level 5, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The elected office-bearers for the years 2007-2009 were:

Chairman:	Dr Ng Wei Keong, Alan
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Loo Chian Min
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Pek Wee Yang
Board Members:	Dr Johan Azman
	Dr Khoo Kay Leong
	Dr Cheong Tuck Hong
	Dr Jagadesan Raghuram

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the membership stands at 50.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter organised the following activities:

3 August 2007**Managing Difficult Asthma**

- Professor Peter G Gibson
Professor of Respiratory Medicine, Newcastle University, NSW

Asthma Management: A Local Perspective

- Professor Lim Tow Keang
Professor & Head, Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine, National University Hospital

5 August 2007**Treatment of COPD – from Evidence to Clinical Practice**

Professor Christopher Cooper
Professor of Medicine and Physiology, David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles, USA

December 2007

Dr Pek Wee Yang

Honorary Secretary

2007-2008 Chapter of Respiratory Physicians

CHAPTER OF RHEUMATOLOGISTS**1. 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Rheumatologists was held on Thursday, 22 March 2007 at Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following office-bearers were elected to the 2007-2009 Board:

Chairman:	Dr Lau Tang Ching
Vice-Chairman:	A/Prof Julian Thumboo
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Sheila Vasoo
Board Members:	Dr Ng Swee Cheng Dr Bernard Thong
Co-opted Members:	Dr Cheng Yew Kuang Prof Fong Kok Yong

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2007, the membership stands at 25.

4. CHAPTER BOARD MEETINGS

The Chapter Board has held 4 Board meetings since the AGM last year.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The chapter organised the following activities:

18 January 2007**The Antiphospholipid Syndrome: Controversies and Current Concepts for the Rheumatologist**

Prof Mark Crowther
Professor, Department of Medicine, McMaster University

30 March 2007**Update on Osteoporosis for the Rheumatologist**

Prof Phil Sambrook
Professor of Rheumatology, University of Sydney, Royal North Shore Hospital, St. Leonard's, Sydney, Australia

11 May 2007**Medical Curriculum Development – A Focus on the Musculo-Skeletal System**

A/Prof Leslie Schrieber
Associate Professor, Department of Rheumatology, University of Sydney, Royal North Shore Hospital, St. Leonard's, Sydney, Australia

14 September 2007**New Drugs, New Compounds, New Horizons – What's New in Osteoporosis Therapy?**

Prof Peter Thomas Nash
Director, Rheumatology Research Unit, Department of Medicine, University of Queensland

1 November 2007**Biologic Agents in the Treatment of Paediatric Rheumatic Diseases**

Prof Patricia Woo
Director for Centre of Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology, Windeyer Institute of Medical Sciences, University College London

15 November 2007**Approach to the Patient with Joint Pain**

- A/Prof Julian Thumboo
Head and Senior Consultant, Dept of Rheumatology and Immunology, Singapore General Hospital

Management of RA – Past & Present

- Dr Leong Keng Hong
Consultant Physician & Rheumatologist, GMC

6. ONLINE JOURNAL/ E-LEARNING

The chapter had decided to terminate the Online Journals 'Current Opinion in Rheumatology' and 'Arthritis and Rheumatism' as of 2008 as the utility is low. In place of this, the Chapter will be looking into the purchase of e-learning resources from the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) and European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR).

December 2007

Dr Sheila Vasoo
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Rheumatologists