



ACADEMY OF MEDICINE
SINGAPORE

Committed to Specialist Education & Training since 1957

INDUCTION COMITIA

2026

12 September 2026 | Saturday | 2:00 pm
Clinical Sciences Building Auditorium
11 Mandalay Road
Singapore 308232

Guest-of-Honour
Mr Ong Ye Kung
Coordinating Minister for Social Policies
Minister for Health



ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

Formed in 1957, the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, is a professional institution of medical and dental specialists devoted to advancing the art and science of medicine in Singapore through postgraduate specialist training, maintenance of high standards of competency and ethical integrity through continuous professional development as well as dissemination of information and knowledge to the public on matters related to health.

Vision & Mission

The vision of the Academy is to be the leading institution for postgraduate medical education in the region. From a pioneering group of 34 members in its early days, the Academy is now Singapore's largest organisation of medical and dental specialists with over 4,500 members in the following Colleges and Chapters:

Colleges

College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore
College of Dental Surgeons, Singapore
College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore
College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore
College of Physicians, Singapore
College of Radiologists, Singapore
College of Surgeons, Singapore
College of Emergency Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
College of Ophthalmologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
College of Psychiatrists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
College of Public Health and Occupational Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
College of Clinician Educators, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
College of Clinician Scientists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Chapters

Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Chapter of Intensivists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Chapter of Family Medicine Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Chapter of Pain Medicine Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Chapter of Sleep Medicine Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
Chapter of Genomic Medicine, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

ORDER OF EVENTS

Master of Ceremonies

Professor Chong Yap Seng

College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists, Singapore

College of Clinician Scientists

1:45pm	Guests to be seated Arrival of Guest-of-Honour Mr Ong Ye Kung Coordinating Minister for Social Policies Minister for Health
2:00pm	Academic Procession
2:05pm	Welcome Address Dr Wong Chiang Yin Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
2:15pm	Address by Guest-of-Honour Mr Ong Ye Kung
2:25 pm	Conferment of Eminent Academicians
2:30 pm	Conferment of Fellowship • Fellows, Academy of Medicine, Singapore (FAMS)
2:55 pm	Inductees' Pledge
3:00 pm	Presentation of Certificates • Master of Health Professions Education, Singapore (MHPE-S) • Graduate Diploma in Hospital Practice (GDHP)
3:10 pm	Presentation of the Annals Reviewer Awards 2025
3:15 pm	Exit Procession
3:20 pm	Tea Reception
4:00 pm	End of Programme

THE EMINENT ACADEMICIAN TITLE

The title of Eminent Academician (EA) is conferred on the most accomplished and eminent specialist doctors and dentists in Singapore, who best embody the values and objectives of the Academy. Conferees have a lifetime record of exemplary professional conduct, scientific achievement and service.

It was formally established when a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Health Singapore and the Academy of Medicine, Singapore was signed on 22 January 2026.

The EA title is limited to two percent of all doctors and dentists in Singapore. A limited number of foreign doctors and dentists (up to 10 percent of Singaporean doctors and dentists who have been conferred the EA title) may also be conferred the EA title.

After a rigorous nomination and vetting process and with the concurrence of the Director-General of Health, Ministry of Health, the Academy is pleased to confer our inaugural Eminent Academicians at the Induction Comitia 2026.

As custodians of the profession's highest ideals, Eminent Academicians serve as role models whose influence will continue to guide new and upcoming medical and dental specialists.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS

Chee Yam Cheng	Internal Medicine
Chew Chong Lin	Prosthodontics
Chia Kee Seng	Occupational Medicine
Chong Siow Ann	Psychiatry
Dharambir Singh Sethi	Otorhinolaryngology
Foo Keong Tatt	Urology
Khoo Chee Min James	Neurosurgery
Low Cheng Hock	General Surgery
Nambiar Rajmohan	General Surgery
Ong Biauwei Chi	Anaesthesiology
Ong Yong Yau	Respiratory Medicine
Pang Weng Sun	Geriatric Medicine
Phua Kong Boo	Paediatric Medicine
Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Tan Tiang Hwee Donald	Ophthalmology
Teoh Lam Chuan	Hand Surgery
Venkataraman Anantharaman	Emergency Medicine

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



CHEE YAM CHENG

Internal Medicine

Professor Chee Yam Cheng's career in medicine spans more than five decades and encompasses clinical practice, medical education, healthcare leadership and public service. A master clinician in general and internal medicine, he has long championed a holistic approach to patient care, particularly for older people and those living with multiple and complex medical conditions. His work has consistently emphasised the importance of general medicine, integrated care and a systems approach to healthcare — bringing together specialist expertise while avoiding fragmentation and keeping the needs of patients at the

centre of care.

At Tan Tock Seng Hospital, where he served as Head of General Medicine and Chairman of the Medical Board, Professor Chee helped strengthen clinical standards, governance and institutional development. He subsequently brought this experience to system-wide leadership as Group Chief Executive Officer of the National Healthcare Group, where he contributed to the development of integrated and population-based healthcare, quality improvement and workforce capabilities.

Education has been a defining thread throughout his career. Through undergraduate teaching, specialist training, and mentorship, he has influenced generations of doctors and helped instil the values of professionalism, ethical practice and lifelong learning. His leadership as President of the Singapore Medical Council further reflects his commitment to maintaining public confidence in the profession and upholding high standards of medical practice.

His life-long engagement with healthcare transformation, primary care, clinical effectiveness and emerging technologies reflects a willingness to look ahead and prepare medicine for changing patient and societal needs. His involvement in developing national capabilities in advanced cell and gene therapy is another example of this forward-looking approach. Professor Chee has been recognised with numerous national and professional honours, including the Public Service Medal and Public Administration Medal. His lasting contribution lies in the physicians he has taught, the institutions he has strengthened, the systems he has helped shape and the healthcare culture of clinical excellence, compassion and public service that he has consistently upheld.



CHEW CHONG LIN

Prosthodontics

Professor Chew Chong Lin is presently Emeritus Professor, Faculty of Dentistry National University of Singapore and Emeritus Consultant, National University Hospital.

Professor Chew has made an exceptional and enduring contribution to dentistry in Singapore through more than five decades of clinical practice, academic leadership, professional governance and mentorship. An eminent prosthodontist and restorative dentist, he has helped shape the development of dental education, specialist training and professional standards.

His academic and specialist training in Singapore and at Indiana University provided the foundation for a career that combined clinical excellence with scholarship. His research has encompassed prosthodontics, restorative dentistry, denture retention and stability, dental materials, impression materials, occlusion, mastication, biomaterials and tissue engineering. Through research, teaching and professional engagement, he contributed to the evidence base of dental practice and to the development of dentistry as both a clinical and academic discipline.

Professor Chew's leadership of the dental profession has been towering in every sense of the word. At the National University of Singapore and National University Hospital, he held senior appointments including Head of Prosthetic Dentistry, Head of Restorative Dentistry, Director of the Graduate School of Dental Studies and Vice Dean and Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry. Nationally, he served as Deputy Director of Medical Services (Dental), Chief Dental Officer, Chairman of the National Dental Centre and President of the Singapore Dental Council. In these roles, he contributed to the organisation, regulation and advancement of dental services and professional standards in Singapore.

A defining feature of his career has been his investment in people. Through decades of undergraduate teaching, postgraduate specialist training and professional mentorship, Professor Chew helped develop generations of dentists, specialists, educators and researchers. His contributions to mentorship were recognised through the NUS Inspiring Mentor Award and the National Outstanding Clinician Mentor Award as well as the NHG Lifetime Achievement Award, affirming the depth and breadth of his influence beyond his own personal achievements.

His service has continued across successive stages of his career, including through specialist accreditation, standards-setting committees and professional governance. Professor Chew's legacy is found in the institutions he strengthened, the standards he helped uphold and the many dental professionals whose formation he influenced.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



CHIA KEE SENG

Occupational Medicine

Professor Chia Kee Seng has made a lasting contribution to occupational medicine and public health by showing how epidemiological research can be translated into practical strategies for preventing disease and improving the health of entire populations. His work has focused particularly on chronic diseases affecting Asian populations, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes and cancer. Through large population studies, genomic research, disease-burden modelling and translational research, he has helped deepen understanding of the factors that shape health and disease in Singapore's multi-

ethnic population. His work has contributed to national initiatives such as the Healthy Living Master Plan and the War on Diabetes, helping to inform approaches to prevention, screening and health promotion.

A major part of Professor Chia's contribution has been institution-building. As Founding Dean of the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health at the National University of Singapore, he played a central role in establishing Singapore's public health capabilities in education, research and policymaking. The school has since become an important platform for bringing together scientific research, professional education, policy and practice, while developing a new generation of occupational medicine and public-health professionals.

His work in workplace health, diabetes prevention, healthy living and evidence-based screening has contributed to a broader understanding of population health and wellbeing. His conceptualisation of Total Workplace Safety and Health expanded the traditional focus of occupational health towards a more comprehensive approach to worker health and wellbeing. His contributions to the Singapore Cancer Registry and National Registry of Diseases Office likewise strengthened the country's ability to monitor disease and use evidence to guide healthcare planning. Professor Chia has also shared his expertise internationally through advisory roles and contributions to World Health Organization working groups and scientific bodies. Throughout, he has maintained a strong emphasis on connecting research with the needs of policymakers, healthcare professionals and communities.



CHONG SIOW ANN

Psychiatry

Professor Chong Siow Ann is a Senior Consultant Psychiatrist at the Institute of Mental Health whose career of more than three decades has brought together clinical psychiatry, research, education and public policy. His work has focused particularly on schizophrenia and psychosis, while his contributions to psychiatric epidemiology and population mental health have strengthened understanding of mental illness and healthcare in Singapore. A consistent theme has been translating scientific evidence into earlier intervention, better clinical care and stronger mental health services.

One of Professor Chong's significant clinical contributions was establishing Singapore's Early Psychosis Intervention Programme at IMH in 2001. He also contributed to national schizophrenia guidelines and served on committees on mental health policy, specialist training, clinical research and bioethics.

Professor Chong's research spans schizophrenia, early psychosis, psychiatric epidemiology, population mental health, depression, anxiety, suicide and self-harm, dementia, stigma and mental health literacy. In 2008, he led a five-year, S\$25-million international multi-centre programme on schizophrenia and related psychoses, bringing together researchers from Singapore, the United States, Australia and Hong Kong to advance understanding of psychosis risk factors and biomarkers. He also led the first Singapore Mental Health Study, providing landmark national data on the prevalence and impact of mental disorders.

Through advisory roles with the Ministry of Health, the National Medical Research Council and other bodies, he has contributed to mental health research priorities, services and policy. His continued involvement in the National Mental Health Research Strategy reflects his commitment to strengthening Singapore's mental health evidence base.

Education and mentorship have also been central to his contribution. He has helped develop successive generations of psychiatrists, clinicians, researchers and clinician scientists.

His contributions have been recognised with honours including the World Health Organization's State of Kuwait Prize for Research in Health Promotion, National Healthcare Group CEO's Distinguished Research Mentor Award, National Outstanding Clinician-Scientist Award and Lee Foundation-National Healthcare Group Lifetime Achievement Award. He also contributes to *The Straits Times'* opinion pages on mental health, medicine and wider social issues, bringing a psychiatrist's perspective to public discourse.

A defining feature of Professor Chong's career has been the connection between clinical practice, research, service development and policy, with each informing and strengthening the other. He has helped broaden the conversation around mental health from the treatment of illness to earlier intervention, recovery, prevention and wellbeing.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



DHARAMBIR SINGH SETHI

Otorhinolaryngology

Dr Dharambir Singh Sethi has played a pioneering role in the development of endoscopic sinus and skull base surgery, combining advanced clinical practice with a remarkable commitment to surgical education and international mentorship.

His work spans rhinology, endoscopic sinus surgery, pituitary and skull base procedures, orbital and optic nerve surgery and complex endoscopic reconstruction. One of the defining moments of his career came in 1994, when he and neurosurgeon Dr Prem Pillay pioneered endoscopic pituitary surgery at Singapore General Hospital. The achievement was an

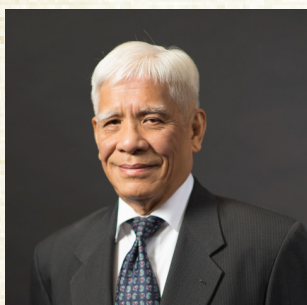
important milestone in the development of endoscopic skull base surgery and was subsequently recognised with the Mahaley Award by the American Association of Neurological Surgeons.

Dr Sethi has continued to extend the use of endoscopic techniques to increasingly complex conditions, and his influence has gone well beyond his own surgical practice. Teaching has been a central part of his career. Over more than three decades, he has participated in more than 120 international meetings, delivered nearly 700 lectures and conducted approximately 200 hands-on workshops. His teaching has taken the form of live surgery, cadaveric dissection and practical surgical courses across Asia, Australasia, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and North America.

This extensive educational work reflects a particularly generous approach to professional leadership. Dr Sethi has invested considerable time in helping surgeons acquire advanced techniques and bring them back to their own institutions. In doing so, he has contributed not only to individual professional development but to the wider improvement of surgical capability and standards.

His long association with the American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery, where he served as faculty for 16 consecutive years, further reflects the international regard in which his expertise is held. His contributions have been recognised through numerous professional distinctions, including the ASEAN Pioneer of Rhinology Award, Golden Endoscope Award and lifetime achievement awards from regional and national ENT societies.

Dr Sethi's impact can ultimately be measured in the spread of knowledge and expertise. The surgeons he has trained, the techniques he has shared and the standards he has helped advance represent an enduring contribution to the specialty.



FOO KEONG TATT

Urology

Professor Foo Keong Tatt has been a foundational figure in the development of urology in Singapore. Over a career spanning several decades, he combined clinical innovation, research, teaching and professional leadership to help establish urology as a modern specialty and Singapore as a regional centre of excellence.

Following specialist training in the United Kingdom, Professor Foo introduced and championed transurethral resection of the prostate in Singapore in the 1970s, helping to bring modern endourological practice to the country. As the first Head of Urology at Singapore

General Hospital from 1988, he subsequently played a central role in developing specialist urology services and training the next generation of urologists.

His research focused particularly on conditions affecting the prostate and lower urinary tract. His work on intravesical prostatic protrusion demonstrated its importance in predicting bladder outlet obstruction and disease progression, contributing to a better understanding of benign prostatic enlargement and lower urinary tract symptoms. With more than 100 publications, he has contributed to the international literature through original research, reviews, textbooks and specialist chapters.

Professor Foo has also been an influential teacher. Through decades of lectures, workshops and professional meetings, he has shared his experience with colleagues in Singapore and throughout Asia. His involvement with the Urological Association of Asia and Singapore Urological Association helped to establish and strengthen professional networks and encouraged the exchange of knowledge across the region.

For those he trained, however, his influence has extended beyond technical expertise. He helped establish the professional culture and standards of a developing specialty, demonstrating the importance of rigorous clinical practice, continuing education and service to patients.

His achievements have been recognised through distinctions including the SIU Distinguished Career Award, Karl Storz Endourological Award and Lifetime Achievement Award. Yet his most enduring legacy is perhaps best understood through the development of the specialty itself. Urology in Singapore today rests on foundations to which Professor Foo made a monumental contribution.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



KHOO CHEE MIN JAMES

Neurosurgery

Dr Khoo did his medical training at NUS, then called King Edward VII School of Medicine. He was interested in brain function in school and trained in Neuroscience after graduation, first locally, then as a Colombo Plan Scholar in Australia, later as a WHO Scholar in North America.

He worked as a Consultant Neurosurgeon at Tan Tock Seng, SGH and NUH hospitals and helped as Founding Chair of the National Neuroscience Institute from 1992 with Professor Richard Johnson as Director. He helped in the establishment of the Basic

Neuroscience Laboratories for the NNI as he and Dr Johnson strongly believed in the need for Basic Neuroscience Research.

Dr Khoo was a Visiting Consultant to the National University Hospital for many years. His professional interests were mainly in cerebrovascular disorders and neuroendocrine physiology. He conducted research and wrote his medicine doctorate in Pineal Physiology.

He is a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore since 1980, a member of the Chapter of Neurosurgeons as well as member of the Australian Neurosurgical Society. He helped with the establishment of Ren Ci Hospital for the Chronic Sick in 1992 and still serves as its Medical Advisor.

Outside of medicine, Dr Khoo is a Renaissance man of both medicine and the arts. He is an authority in Peranakan culture and was involved in developing the Asian Civilisations Museum (ACM) as a founding member of the National Heritage Board. Dr Khoo was the Founding Chairman of the ACM at its inception in 1993 and oversaw its landmark move to the Empress Place Building. He has also helped the Conservation Advisory Panel of the Urban Redevelopment Authority to conserve Singapore's built heritage.

Dr Khoo continues to be a source of mentorship and inspiration in his late years.



LOW CHENG HOCK

General Surgery

Professor Low Cheng Hock's career spans more than five decades and is distinguished by a combination of surgical excellence, teaching, professional leadership and a deep commitment to service. His contribution to Singapore medicine extends well beyond the operating theatre, encompassing medical education, healthcare advocacy, humanitarian work and the development of a culture of compassion within the profession.

During his 42 years at Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Professor Low served as Head of General Surgery, Divisional Chairman of Surgery and Chairman of the Medical Board. He

contributed to the development of surgical services and clinical standards while mentoring generations of doctors. As the hospital's first Clinician Mentor after becoming Emeritus Consultant, he continued to support the development of younger clinicians.

He was President of the Singapore Medical Association (SMA) from 2001 to 2003, including a period that included the SARS outbreak, when he helped guide the profession through a period of considerable uncertainty and risk.

One of his lasting contributions from that period was his role in establishing The Courage Fund, which went on to support healthcare workers and their families, infectious-disease initiatives and healthcare humanity. His continued involvement with the Fund reflects a commitment to service that has outlasted any particular appointment. He is one of five doctors who have led both the SMA as President and the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, as Master.

His service has also taken him beyond Singapore, through humanitarian surgical work and longstanding volunteer involvement with St John Ambulance Singapore and the Singapore Armed Forces.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



NAMBIAR RAJMOHAN

General Surgery

Professor Rajmohan Nambiar's career spans more than five decades and reflects a deep commitment not only to surgery, but to the institutions, professional standards and public health initiatives that support good medicine.

Since joining Singapore General Hospital in 1964, he has held senior clinical and academic positions, including leadership of surgery at Toa Payoh Hospital and Singapore General Hospital. His work during these years extended beyond patient care to specialist training, professional development and the strengthening of surgical services.

Professor Nambiar has played an influential role in professional leadership in Singapore and the region. As Master of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, President of the Singapore Medical Council and President of the *Asian Surgical Association*, his contributions in the areas of professional governance, specialist accreditation, training and standards have been nothing short of foundational.

His contribution to academic surgery is likewise pivotal. As Founding Editor-in-Chief of the *Asian Journal of Surgery*, and through editorial appointments with international surgical journals, he helped create stronger platforms for surgical scholarship from Singapore and Asia. His work in this area has supported not only the dissemination of research but also the development of a stronger academic surgical community.

His commitment to public health is another important part of his legacy. For more than 25 years, he served the Singapore Cancer Society, contributing to cancer prevention, screening, registry development and public education. This sustained involvement reflects a view of medicine that extends beyond treating individual patients to reducing disease and improving health across society.

Throughout his career, Professor Nambiar has also been a teacher and mentor. Generations of doctors and surgeons have benefited from his clinical knowledge, experience and professional judgement. His influence has therefore been carried forward through those he has trained and guided.

What distinguishes Professor Nambiar's career is its breadth and longevity. He has contributed as surgeon, educator, academic, professional leader and public health advocate, often working behind the scenes to strengthen the structures on which the profession depends.



ONG BIAUWEI CHI

Anaesthesiology

Professor Ong Biauwei Chi has made an exceptional contribution to anaesthesiology and, more broadly, to the safety and quality of healthcare in Singapore. Her career has brought together complex clinical practice, institutional leadership, education and a sustained commitment to making healthcare systems safer for patients and professionals.

Her clinical experience includes some of Singapore's most challenging and pioneering procedures. She provided anaesthesia for the country's first left ventricular assist device implantation and landmark craniopagus twin separations, while contributing to the

development of congenital cardiac anaesthesia and intraoperative transoesophageal echocardiography. Her expertise was also shared internationally through her involvement in establishing Papua New Guinea's only cardiac surgical centre.

Her most far-reaching contribution, however, has been in patient safety and clinical governance. As Singapore General Hospital's first Patient Safety Officer and inaugural Chair of the Ministry of Health's National Patient Safety Officer Group, Professor Ong helped establish the foundations of Singapore's national patient-safety movement. She championed practices such as WHO safe-site surgery protocols and contributed to systems for clinical governance and the sharing of national sentinel events.

She subsequently led Singapore General Hospital through its first Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation, helping to embed a culture of quality improvement and patient safety within the institution. As founding Chairman of the Medical Board of Sengkang General Hospital, she was also involved in the complex task of establishing a major new public hospital, from planning and staffing to operations. Her later role as Group Chief Risk Officer of SingHealth allowed her to apply her experience in safety, governance and risk management experience across the wider SingHealth healthcare system. Education and mentorship have been woven through her career. She has trained generations of anaesthesiologists and other healthcare professionals, while contributing to residency accreditation and professional standards through national service. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Professor Ong again demonstrated her willingness to serve when healthcare systems were under exceptional pressure. Her contribution was recognised with the Public Administration Gold Medal (COVID-19) by the Singapore Government.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



ONG YONG YAU

Respiratory Medicine

For more than five decades, Professor Ong Yong Yau has combined the practice of medicine with teaching, research, institutional leadership and service to the profession. An eminent physician in internal and respiratory medicine, he has contributed to the care of patients with complex respiratory and medical conditions while helping shape the standards by which medicine is practised in Singapore.

His clinical leadership at Singapore General Hospital included service as Head of the Department of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine (1995-1998), Chairman of the Division of Medicine

(1996-2000), Chairman of the Medical Board (2000-2001), and Chief Executive Officer (2002-2003). These successive roles gave him a broad platform to exercise leadership over his clinical specialty, clinical departments and Singapore's largest tertiary hospital. He subsequently continued his contributions to Singapore's public healthcare system as an Emeritus Consultant at Singapore General Hospital and Senior Advisor to SingHealth.

Professor Ong has also had a profound influence on medical education. As Clinical Professor of Medicine at the National University of Singapore, he has taught and mentored generations of students, residents and specialists. His academic work has encompassed respiratory failure, pulmonary disease, tuberculosis, asthma, lung cancer and evidence-based and appropriate healthcare, with his publications and textbooks helping to disseminate knowledge across the profession.

Equally important has been his contribution to the ethical and professional foundations of medicine. As President of the Singapore Medical Council from 2008 to 2010, and through numerous national and professional appointments, he helped shape clinical governance and regulation of the medical profession. Through this work, he has helped reinforce the principle that good medicine must be both scientifically sound and ethically grounded.

Professor Ong's honours recognise a career of exceptional breadth, but his deeper legacy lies in the physicians he has mentored, the institutions he has strengthened and the standards of professionalism, integrity and humanity that he has consistently upheld.



PANG WENG SUN

Geriatric Medicine

Professor Pang Weng Sun has spent more than four decades helping Singapore rethink how we care for older people and those living with serious or life-limiting illness. His work in geriatric and palliative medicine has been characterised not only by clinical expertise, but by a deep commitment to dignity, quality of life and care that respects the values and wishes of each patient.

Professor Pang has contributed extensively to geriatric and palliative medicine, serving as Senior Consultant in the Department of Geriatric Medicine at Khoo Teck Puat

Hospital and Yishun Community Hospital. His work has spanned clinical care, community services, eldercare and palliative care, with a particular focus on addressing the needs of an ageing population and promoting integrated care across healthcare settings.

His influence has also been felt in healthcare leadership and education. As Vice Dean, Clinical Affairs at NTU's Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine from 2011 to 2024, he helped shape clinical education and develop future healthcare professionals. He subsequently served as Dean of the Healthcare Leadership College at Ministry of Health Holdings, contributing to the development of healthcare leaders and to broader questions of professional and institutional stewardship. His service with national bodies including the Singapore Medical Council, Specialist Accreditation Board and National Advance Care Planning Steering Committee has further contributed to healthcare governance and professional standards.

Teaching and mentorship have remained central to his work. Professor Pang has helped generations of students and doctors understand that clinical competence must be accompanied by communication, compassion and ethical judgement. His particular emphasis on professionalism and ethics reflects his belief that the human dimensions of medicine are inseparable from good clinical care.

His research and scholarship have similarly focused on issues that matter to patients and families, including frailty, rehabilitation, elder abuse, nursing-home care and end-of-life decision-making.

Professor Pang's contribution is reflected in the healthcare professionals he has developed, the services and institutions he has strengthened, and the culture of compassionate care he has consistently championed for older people, patients with serious illness and their families.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



PHUA KONG BOO

Paediatric Medicine

For more than five decades, Professor Phua Kong Boo has combined paediatric practice with research, education and mentorship, leaving a lasting imprint on the development of paediatrics in Singapore.

He was among the pioneers who helped establish paediatric gastroenterology as an important clinical and academic discipline in Singapore. His work has encompassed gastrointestinal and liver diseases, childhood infections, inflammatory conditions and nutrition, reflecting a broad interest in the many factors that influence children's health and

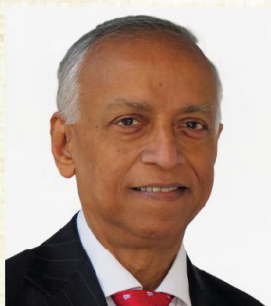
development. His participation as a principal investigator in major rotavirus vaccine trials also contributed to the evidence supporting the prevention of childhood infectious disease.

Professor Phua has held important leadership positions within KK Women's and Children's Hospital and the wider academic medicine community. Through his work in paediatric services and his role as the inaugural Education Director of the SingHealth Duke-NUS Paediatrics Academic Clinical Programme, he has helped strengthen the links between clinical care, specialist training and academic development.

Yet perhaps his most enduring influence has been through teaching and mentorship. Across decades of service at Singapore's medical schools, he has taught and guided generations of medical students, paediatricians and healthcare professionals. Colleagues and trainees have benefited not only from his clinical knowledge, but also from his generosity as a teacher and his emphasis on curiosity, professionalism and compassion.

His commitment to education has continued through the establishment of the Phua Kong Boo Clinician Educator Faculty Development Fund, which supports the development of future clinician educators. In this way, his influence extends beyond those he has personally taught to future generations of teachers and mentors.

His career is distinguished not by a single achievement, but by the cumulative effect of decades of service: building a specialty and subspecialty, contributing to research, improving paediatric care, developing educators and mentoring generations of doctors.



SIR SABARATNAM ARULKUMARAN

Obstetrics & Gynaecology

Professor Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran has devoted more than four decades to advancing women's health through clinical practice, research, education and professional leadership. An internationally respected obstetrician and gynaecologist, he is especially recognised for his contributions to safer pregnancy and childbirth, maternal and fetal wellbeing, and the quality of maternity services.

His academic career in Singapore and the United Kingdom has been defined by a commitment to translating research into better clinical care. As Professor (1993-1997) and

Head (1995-1997) of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the National University of Singapore and later at St George's, University of London (2001-2013), he combined clinical practice with research, teaching and academic leadership. His work on labour, fetal wellbeing, and maternal and newborn health, alongside his textbooks and publications, has contributed significantly to international obstetric practice. His legacy at NUS continues through the Sabaratnam Arulkumaran Scholarship, which supports emerging clinician-researchers and translational scientists in global women's health.

Professor Sir Arulkumaran has also played an exceptional role in shaping the medical profession internationally. His service as President of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) from 2012 - 2015 and the British Medical Association (2013-2014) placed him at the forefront of discussions on professional standards, medical education, patient safety and the future of healthcare. Since 2013, he has also served as Foundation Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Nicosia, Cyprus and as Visiting Professor to Imperial College London's Institute of Global Health Innovation. His leadership and international engagement extended beyond obstetrics and gynaecology, contributing to the broader advancement of women's health, equitable access to quality healthcare, and the development of professional capabilities and capacities in communities and healthcare systems with limited resources.

Leadership for him has always included developing others. Generations of obstetricians and gynaecologists have benefited from his teaching, mentorship and emphasis on clinical excellence, ethical practice and continual learning.

Knighted in 2009 for his services to medicine and recognised through numerous professional honours, Professor Sir Arulkumaran's enduring contribution is reflected in stronger professional institutions and the many healthcare professionals whose practice has been influenced by his example.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



TAN TIANG HWE DONALD

Ophthalmology

Professor Donald Tan Tiang Hwee has played a pivotal role in advancing ophthalmology in Singapore and internationally, in a career that has combined clinical innovation, research, education and institutional leadership.

As a corneal surgeon, Professor Tan has made pioneering advances in partial-thickness cornea transplant surgery, namely, endothelial and lamellar keratoplasty. His development of the Tan EndoGlide device for DSAEK and DMEK, as well as refinements in surgical instrumentation and techniques, helped expand the possibilities of modern corneal transplantation and contributed to better outcomes for patients with corneal disease.

Through the landmark Atropine for the Treatment of Myopia (ATOM) clinical trials, Professor Tan and his collaborators established important evidence for the use of low-dose atropine to slow the progression of childhood myopia. At a time when myopia was emerging as a major public health concern in Asia, this research was a breakthrough in the management of childhood myopia. Low-dose atropine is now used worldwide by ophthalmologists in the treatment of progressive childhood myopia.

Professor Tan has also played a major role in building Singapore's ophthalmic and research capabilities. As Medical Director of the Singapore Eye Bank in 1993, he led the modernisation of Singapore's eye-banking capabilities and the development of a corneal transplantation programme in Singapore. As Director of the Singapore Eye Research Institute (SERI), and then as the Medical Director of the Singapore National Eye Centre (SNEC), he strengthened the links between patient care, research and education, and raised the profile of SNEC and SERI regionally and internationally.

His leadership contributions have been equally significant on the global stage. Professor Tan was a founding member and first President of the Asia Cornea Society, and the first international President of the US-based Cornea Society. Through professional organisations, research collaborations, and numerous lectures and publications, he has helped foster the exchange of knowledge and expertise across countries and continents.

For Professor Tan, education and mentorship have been integral to this work. Over his long career, he has trained and guided a generation of ophthalmologists, fellows, researchers and clinician-scientists — people who have gone on to contribute to the field in their own right. This includes training 14 local corneal transplant surgeons and 23 international corneal surgeons from 15 countries.



TEOH LAM CHUAN

Hand Surgery

For almost five decades, Associate Professor Teoh Lam Chuan has been closely associated with the development of hand surgery in Singapore and the wider Asia-Pacific region. His career combines outstanding surgical expertise with a sustained commitment to education, professional standards and the development of the specialty. As founding Head of the Hand Surgery Department at Singapore General Hospital, he played an important role in building specialised services for patients with complex hand conditions. His practice has encompassed traumatic injuries, fracture fixation,

reconstructive microsurgery, congenital conditions, nerve disorders and soft-tissue reconstruction, requiring a combination of technical skill, innovation and careful attention to function.

His contribution to the specialty has extended well beyond the operating theatre. With more than 100 scientific papers and book chapters, together with decades of invited lectures and international teaching, Associate Professor Teoh has contributed to the advancement and dissemination of hand-surgical knowledge. His work has helped connect Singapore's experience with developments in the specialty internationally.

Education has been particularly central to his career. Through leadership of the Hand Surgery Specialty Board and Specialist Training Committee, examination work and his longstanding involvement in the Annual Hand Surgery Review Course, he has helped shape how hand surgeons are trained and assessed in Singapore. His teaching has also taken place informally and internationally, through the sharing of surgical experience with colleagues and trainees. His professional leadership has strengthened the specialty across the region. As President of the Singapore Society for Hand Surgery and the Asian-Pacific Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, and through his involvement with the International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, he has fostered collaboration and knowledge exchange among hand surgeons worldwide.

What distinguishes Associate Professor Teoh's contribution is the way his influence has multiplied through others. The techniques and knowledge he has shared, the standards he has helped establish and the surgeons he has trained have carried his influence far beyond his own clinical practice.

EMINENT ACADEMICIANS



VENKATARAMAN ANANTHARAMAN

Emergency Medicine

Professor Anantharaman Venkataraman has played a formative role in the development of emergency medicine in Singapore, helping to build not only a clinical specialty but also the education, resuscitation systems and emergency-response capabilities that support it. As an academic emergency physician, he combined clinical practice with research in resuscitation and emergency care. His work included collaborative studies on defibrillation, mechanical cardiopulmonary resuscitation and other aspects of resuscitation science, contributing to the evidence base for emergency care. His substantial body of publications

reflects a sustained engagement with research and scholarship.

One of his most important contributions was in education. Professor Anantharaman pioneered postgraduate emergency medicine training in Singapore and led the Master of Medicine (Emergency Medicine) programme from its inception. He also contributed to examiner training, educational methodology and the development of a comprehensive emergency medicine textbook. His teaching extended across professional boundaries to doctors, nurses, paramedics and other healthcare workers, helping establish the multidisciplinary approach essential to emergency care.

His leadership of the National Resuscitation Council brought his work into the community. He championed widespread training in lifesaving skills and the development of a strong first-responder network, with nearly 200,000 people trained annually. This helped shift resuscitation from being solely a hospital capability to becoming a skill that could be deployed throughout the community.

Professor Anantharaman also contributed to the development of Singapore's pre-hospital and disaster-response systems. His work supported paramedic-based ambulance services, emergency ambulance protocols, national disaster planning and hospital decontamination systems. These initiatives strengthened the country's ability to respond to major emergencies and mass-casualty incidents.

His international lectures, workshops and collaborations have further contributed to Singapore's reputation in emergency medicine, while the systems and people he helped develop continue to strengthen specialist training, resuscitation capability, pre-hospital services and emergency preparedness. Regionally, he has led project teams that have helped uplift the quality of emergency medicine practice and training and disaster medical preparedness in these countries.

The breadth of his contribution is reflected in the systems and people that continue to carry and magnify his influence throughout the emergency departments in Singapore.

FELLOWS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

CONFERMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

Ang Xian En Hope
Lim Lisa Lynn

COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS, SINGAPORE

Loh Ser Pheng John
Ong Jun Ming Darrell
Paul Sim Ruiqi

COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

Amanda Lim Hui Jun
Cheng Jenshen
Wong Yin Theng

COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

Ho Ping Ling
Lee Wai Yen
Ng Kai Lyn
Tan Yin Ru

COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

Chan Shu Wen Nicole
Kenric Fan Rui-Pin
Sng Jie James
Teo Zhen Ling

FELLOWS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE

Loh Wenyin
Seo Woon Li
Tan Yi Hua
Wang Lawrence Chaoping
Yeleswarapu Sita Padmini

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

Anantharaman Saradha
Chan Soo Ling
Gabriel Tan Thuan Liang
Jared Louis Andre D Souza
Kwek Jun Hong Kevin
Lee Zheng Cong
Leong Wai Mun Sean
Liew Zhong Hong
Llewelyn Tan Yi Chang
Loh Chee Hoo
Nah Kai Yi Benjamin
Poh You Kai
See Tho Wei Chen
Shen Xiayan
Sieow Yu-Fang Nicole
Tan Rou An
Tan Sian-Tsung
Tan Wee Kian Kenny
Tan Wen Hao
Tan Yong Chuan
Tay Woo Chiao
Wong Tracy Seiping
Yang Chen
Yong Teng Wei Kenneth
Zhao Yang

FELLOWS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS

Arvind Rajagopalan
Claire Law Mun See
Lee Kae Meng Thomas
Lim Cui Xi
Lim Shang Cong
P Buvanaswari
Pavaani d/o Thiagayson
Tan Ho Teck
Tan Hui Leng

COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICIANS

Chua Qi Han Aaron
Li Zongbin
Lim Wei Xiang
Tan Kian Wei Alvin

COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

Chia Ghim Song
Lim Shi Wei Desmond
Low Hsien Min
Van Goethem Johan Willem M
Venkataganesan s/o Ponnalagu
Yee Yong Chen

FELLOWS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, SINGAPORE

Ang Shu Yan Divya
Ang Wei Jie Jensen
Audrey Tan Jia Luan
Ching Siok Siong
Chow Marcus Way Lunn
Hu Shulin
Jiang Kian Hong Jackson
Lee Wai Kit James
Li Fang
Lim Ee Jean
Loong Tse Han
Mustafa Hussein Fazleabbas Khanbhai
Tan Chin Lik
Yap Kok Hooi
Yeap Siu Hui Amelia

CHAPTER OF FAMILY MEDICINE PHYSICIANS

Chee Jia Yi
Gun Shih Ying
Lee Jun Hwee Benjamin
Ng Chirk Jenn
Poon Beng Hoong

CHAPTER OF INTENSIVISTS

Jared Louis Andre D Souza
Sieow Yu-Fang Nicole
Tan Rou An

SECTION OF SPORTS PHYSICIANS

Stephanie Ong Tze Hui

**FELLOW (INTERNATIONAL)
ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE**

CONFERMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

Ruzita Ghani

**MASTER OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION
SINGAPORE (MHPE-S)**

Suresh Pillai

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HOSPITAL PRACTICE (GDHP)

Aye Chan Ko Ko
Bodegon George Thomas Lizares
Chan Wei Qi Vanessa
Chong Kim Yeong
Chong Xin Tian
Daniel Teo Kok Wey
Goh Tuan Sheng
Khoo Wei Shen Kelvin
Kuek Xiu Jie Nicholas
Leong Wai Yen
Mehar Ali Ashfaq Ahmed
Miria Hastuti Soedarsono
Mohd Ruslan Shah Bin Zainal Abidin
Ong Jun Yin
Sathya Kaliannan
Shawaf Farmanullah s/o Mohamed Ansari
Tan Chek Han
Tan Chim Yoong
Tan Siew Chin

ANNALS REVIEWER AWARDS 2025

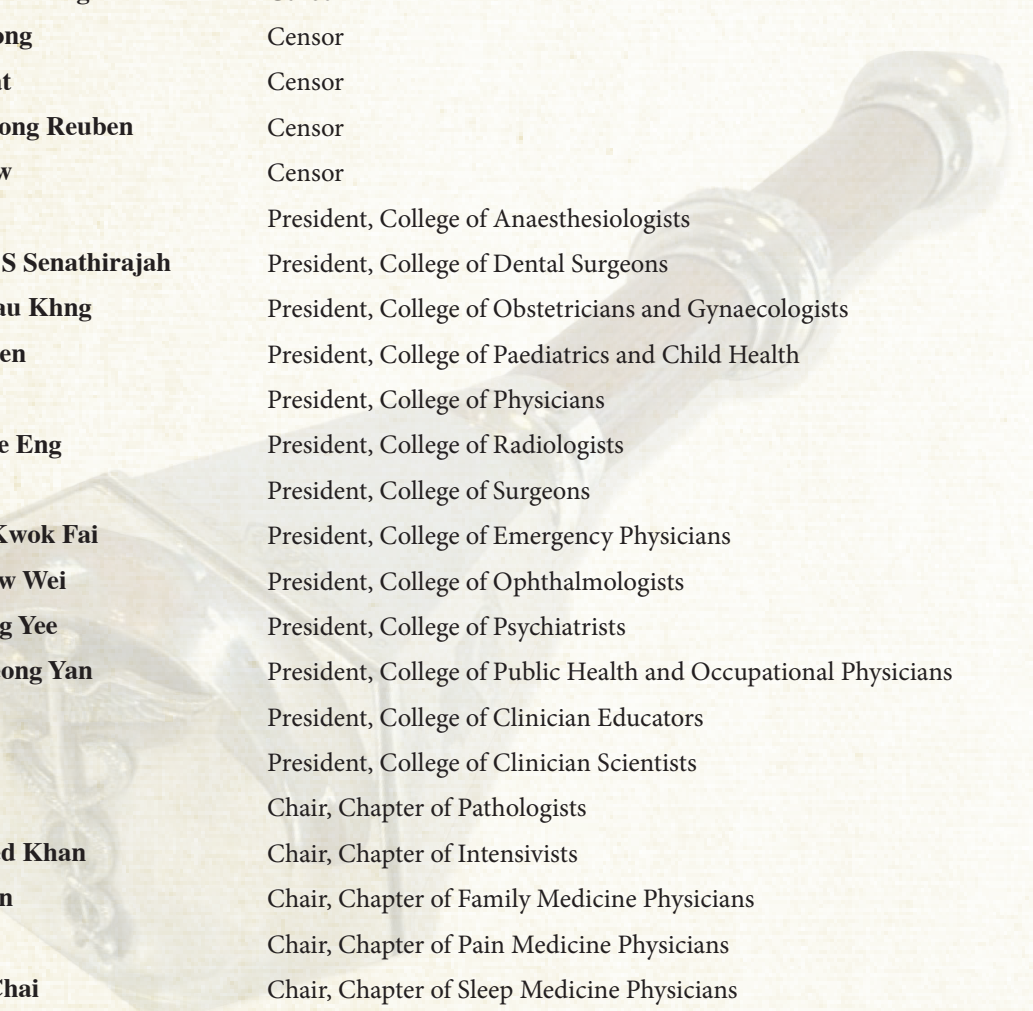
Gold

Wong Tsz Yeung Emmett

Silver

Liu Yan Lun Allen

THE COUNCIL (2026-2027)



Dr Wong Chiang Yin	Master
Dr Sophia Chew	Assistant Master - Academic Affairs
Dr Ruban Poopalalingam	Assistant Master - Administrative Affairs
Dr Asok Kurup	Scribe
Dr Ang Tiing Leong	Bursar
Dr Lau Tang Ching	Assistant Bursar
Dr Choo Su Pin	Censor-in-Chief
Dr Abdul Razakjr Bin Omar	Censor
Dr Andrew Tan Gee Seng	Censor
Dr Chua Wei Chong	Censor
Dr Ho Choon Kiat	Censor
Dr Soh Chee Cheong Reuben	Censor
Dr Tan Boon Yeow	Censor
Dr Lee Tze Wee	President, College of Anaesthesiologists
Dr Mohanarajah S Senathirajah	President, College of Dental Surgeons
Dr Jason Lim Shau Khng	President, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Dr Chua Mei Chien	President, College of Paediatrics and Child Health
Dr Faith Chia	President, College of Physicians
Dr David Ng Chee Eng	President, College of Radiologists
Dr Matthew Yeo	President, College of Surgeons
Dr Mark Leong Kwok Fai	President, College of Emergency Physicians
Dr Gavin Tan Siew Wei	President, College of Ophthalmologists
Dr Giles Tan Ming Yee	President, College of Psychiatrists
Dr Brian See Cheong Yan	President, College of Public Health and Occupational Physicians
Dr Faith Chia	President, College of Clinician Educators
Dr Roger Foo	President, College of Clinician Scientists
Dr Ling Moi Lin	Chair, Chapter of Pathologists
Dr Faheem Ahmed Khan	Chair, Chapter of Intensivists
Dr Wong Wei Mon	Chair, Chapter of Family Medicine Physicians
Dr Ho Kok Yuen	Chair, Chapter of Pain Medicine Physicians
Dr Leow Leong Chai	Chair, Chapter of Sleep Medicine Physicians
Dr Saumya Shekhar Jamuar	Chair, Chapter of Genomic Medicine
Dr Raymond Seet Chee Seong	Editor, Annals (Ex-Officio)
Dr Tay Jam Chin	Dean, Academy Deanery (Co-Opted)
Dr Benjamin Ng Boon Lui	Director, Office of Professional Affairs (Co-Opted)



ANNALS

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

Annals of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Call for Papers

Advancing medicine in Singapore and the Asia-Pacific

Indexed in PubMed/MEDLINE Scopus Science Citation Index Expanded

Directory of Open Access Journals Embase Hinari

Priority research areas

Healthy ageing & longevity

Precision medicine AI & digital health

Cancer & cardiovascular

Infectious diseases

Health equity

Therapeutic innovation

Implementation science

We accept

Original research · Systematic reviews ·
Clinical guidelines · Policy analyses · Commentaries

What makes a strong submission

Methodological rigour · Asia-Pacific relevance ·
Clear implications for practice or policy

Submit your manuscript at
annals.edu.sg



Fellows and Members of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore enjoy preferential publication rates as first and corresponding authors.

INDUCTEES' PLEDGE

I hereby promise and pledge myself as a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, that I will conduct my practice of medicine in accordance with the highest standards and ideals of Medicine. According to the best of my ability and judgement, I shall follow the ideals and traditions enshrined in the Constitution of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and follow in the footsteps of the Fellows and Teachers who have preceded us in this Nation.

Academy of Medicine, Singapore

81 Kim Keat Road

#11-00 NKF Centre

Singapore 328836

Tel: (65) 6593 7800 Fax: (65) 6593 7880

www.ams.edu.sg