

**RHINOLOGY AND ALLERGY FELLOWSHIP ATTACHMENT
PROGRAMME IN SGH**

Components	Information	
1. Division/ Department	Surgery & Surgical Oncology/ Otorhinolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery	
2. Title of Programme	Clinical Fellowship Training in Rhinology and Allergy	
3. Relevant Registrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary Registration with Singapore Medical Council (SMC) • Training employment pass application with Ministry of Manpower, Singapore (MOM) (upon successful Temporary Registration with Singapore Medical Council) 	
4. Overview	<p>The SGH Rhinology and Paranasal Sinuses (Nose) Fellowship has been running for many years, having been started by A/Prof. Dharambir S Sethi. We have a wealth of surgical cases that includes general rhinology, advanced rhinology, and endoscopic skull base surgery cases. Over the years, our fellows have come from countries including Malaysia, Nepal, Australia, and Israel, and have gone back to continue their practice in their home countries. Many continue to return yearly to contribute to our annual FESS Course as overseas faculty, and some have taken up leadership roles, such as HOD or President of their respective ENT societies.</p>	
4.1 Background information		
4.2 Goal/ aim(s)		To train the Fellow to be able to teach general rhinology cases, to be competent in managing advanced rhinology and anterior skull base tumor cases, and to be proficient in ENT-allergy work.
4.3 Duration		Up to 12 months
4.4 Hyperlinks/URL Sites	https://www.sgh.com.sg/patient-care/specialties-services/Otolaryngology	
5 Pre-requisite /eligibility requirement(s)	<p>General requirements for Temporary Registration for training (required by SMC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A basic medical degree from an accredited medical university or medical school • Passed the relevant national licensing examination in the country of conferment of basic degree, where applicable • Evidence of at least 12 months houseman-ship / internship with a certificate of satisfactory completion of houseman-ship or equivalent • Been registered as a medical practitioner in the country where he is currently practising • Been certified to be of good standing by the Medical Council or the relevant national authority <p>Note: The doctor should be in active clinical practice (and been registered as a medical practitioner in the countries of practice) for the 3 years preceding the application for medical registration in Singapore.</p> <p>In addition to the above criteria, Clinical Fellows must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Have a minimum of 3 years working experience as a medical officer (or equivalent) b) Fulfil English Language requirements of SMC if the medium of instruction for the basic medical qualification is <u>not</u> in English c) Preferably have obtained a postgraduate diploma or medical degree in his country or overseas d) Be sponsored by (i) the government, or (ii) regional health authority or (iii) an appropriate institution in the home country. For (d)(iii), the doctor must be on 	

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	<p>current full-time employment (40 hours or more per week) with the sponsoring institution.</p> <p>As a Clinical Fellow, the doctor will be allowed to be involved in patient care and make entries in patients' case note, communicate care plans to patients and fellow healthcare professionals, and perform procedures under <u>direct</u> supervision or Level 1 supervision under SMC's Supervisory Framework.</p> <p>Department's requirement, if any (only for Clinical Fellow in this subspecialty): N.A.</p>									
5. Learning Objectives	<p>This fellowship would allow the Fellow to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage tertiary rhinology patients • Perform advanced endoscopic sinus surgery • Perform endoscopic skull base surgery and trans-sphenoidal pituitary surgery • Manage ENT-allergy patients 									
6. Course/Training Syllabus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General rhinology cases • ENT-allergy cases • Advanced rhinology cases, including revision sinus surgery • Anterior skull base tumours • Sublingual Immunotherapy • FESS • Pituitary Surgery • Skin Prick Test • Endoscopic dacryocystorhinostomy and medial orbital wall decompression 									
7. Training Method	<p>Method of Supervision: Fellows will start with direct observation of the faculty in outpatient clinics and surgeries. They will then proceed on to hands-on surgery and clinical sessions under supervision. This will cover all aspects of rhinology surgery and outpatient ENT cases.</p> <p>Hands-On Experience: Fellows will perform or assist in the following procedures under supervision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anterior skull base tumours • Sublingual Immunotherapy • FESS • Pituitary Surgery • Skin Prick Test <p>No job rotation to other departments within SGH is required. No job rotation to other Institutions is required.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr style="background-color: #cccccc;"> <th colspan="3">TRAINING ACTIVITIES & METHODOLOGY</th> </tr> <tr style="background-color: #cccccc;"> <th style="width: 40%;">Name of activity</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Frequency / No. of sessions / Length of session</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Teaching methodology</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 40px;"> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	TRAINING ACTIVITIES & METHODOLOGY			Name of activity	Frequency / No. of sessions / Length of session	Teaching methodology			
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	Surgeries	At least once per week	Observation and Supervised hands-on training
	Specialist Outpatient clinics	At least once per week	Observation and Supervised hands-on training
	Mortality & Morbidity Rounds	Once per week	Participation
	Journal Club	At least once per month	Participation
8. Assessment and Evaluation	<p>Fellows will need to demonstrate their proficiency level based on the following competencies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Patient Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides appropriate management for patients. 2) Medical Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrates up-to-date knowledge commensurate with postgraduate level of training. 3) Practice-Based Learning and Improvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engages in on-going learning. 4) Interpersonal and Communication Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicates effectively with patients and family, and with other healthcare professionals. 5) Professionalism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accepts responsibility and follows through on tasks. 6) Systems-Based Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotes patient safety. 		
8.1 Assessment approaches	<p>Formative assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular evaluation between Fellow and Supervisor / Head of Department • Reflective journal- logbook recordings of training activities <p>Summative assessment: Periodical assessment reports as required by Singapore Medical Council</p>		

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	<p>Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End-of-training feedback form as required by Singapore Medical Council • End-of-training feedback session with SGH-PGMI 															
<p>8.2 Evaluation Process 8.2.1 General overall grading system</p>	<p>The general overall grading system evaluates the Fellow's performance upon completion of the fellowship programme. All Fellows will be given a general overall grading status at the end of the fellowship programme based on the grading criteria requirements incorporating the six competencies based knowledge, skills and performance that Fellows must demonstrate throughout the programme.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;">Grading Status</th> <th style="background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;">Description</th> <th style="background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;">Grading Criteria Requirements</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">CMP</td> <td>Completes the programme</td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in specialist outpatient clinics and surgeries for patients </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">USP</td> <td>Unsatisfactory performance</td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance of less than 50% of specialist outpatient clinics and elective surgeries. • Exceeded number of days of leave taken </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">DCP</td> <td>Did not complete the programme</td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave the programme before the end of attachment </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">WDN</td> <td>Withdrawn from the programme</td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Withdrawal from programme before the end of attachment </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Grading Status	Description	Grading Criteria Requirements	CMP	Completes the programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in specialist outpatient clinics and surgeries for patients 	USP	Unsatisfactory performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance of less than 50% of specialist outpatient clinics and elective surgeries. • Exceeded number of days of leave taken 	DCP	Did not complete the programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave the programme before the end of attachment 	WDN	Withdrawn from the programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Withdrawal from programme before the end of attachment
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<p>8.3 Criteria for Early Termination</p>	<p>The attachment programme will be terminated early on the ground of the Fellow's poor performance, misdemeanour, misconduct, negligence or breach of any terms stipulated or referred to in the Fellowship Letter of Offer and Institution Terms and Conditions.</p> <p>The Fellow may also request to terminate the attachment programme for reasons such as serious illness or other personal obligations.</p> <p>The institution will review all requests for early termination with the Fellow and the Supervisor / Head of Department.</p>															
<p>9. Course Administration</p>	<p>Type of Certification: Certificate of Training</p> <p>Training Fee: S\$3,210 per month</p> <p>Programme Funding source: Self-funded</p>															